

PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES INC

Form 4

May 19, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GRUBE CRAIG A

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PORTFOLIO RECOVERY
ASSOCIATES INC [PRAA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
120 CORPORATE BLVD, SUITE
100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/17/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Executive VP - Acquisitions

(Street)
NORFOLK, VA 23502

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/17/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		500	D \$ 34.59	82,354	D	
Common Stock	05/17/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		500	D \$ 34.65	81,854	D	
Common Stock	05/17/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		500	D \$ 34.81	81,354	D	
Common Stock	05/17/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		700	D \$ 34.9	80,654	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
GRUBE CRAIG A 120 CORPORATE BLVD SUITE 100 NORFOLK, VA 23502	Executive VP - Acquisitions

Signatures

/s/ Craig A.
Grube 05/17/2005

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These sales are pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan. The plan allows for maximum sales of 50,000 shares during 2005. There are 6,800 shares remaining to be sold under the plan.

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