

MENARD L JACQUES
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MENARD L JACQUES

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY
 (Street)
 GREENVILLE, SC 29601
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BOWATER INC [BOW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 05/10/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Restricted Stock Units <u>(1)</u>			<u>(2)</u>	05/10/2005		A	1,450	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	1,450

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MENARD L JACQUES 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY GREENVILLE, SC 29601	X			

Signatures

William A. McCormick,
Attorney-in-Fact

05/12/2005

 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).
- These Restricted Stock Units were granted under the Company's 2004 Non-Employee Director Stock Unit Plan (the "Directors Stock Unit Plan"). The Directors Stock Unit Plan provides for settlement of the Restricted Stock Units in cash upon the director's ceasing to be an outside director of the Company or in two equal installments on April 30, 2006 and on April 30, 2007.
- (1) Plan".
- (2) 1 for 1

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