PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STRANGFELD JOHN R JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC

[(PRU)]

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2004

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

(Middle)

Vice Chairman

C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL. INC., 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH **FLOOR**

(First)

(Street)

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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NEWARK, NJ 071023777

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

Reported

Transaction(s)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) 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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(Instr. 3 and 5) (A) (Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Notional Shares	<u>(1)</u>	12/20/2004		A	233		<u>(2)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	233	\$ 53.6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STRANGFELD JOHN R JR C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC. 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR NEWARK, NJ 071023777

Vice Chairman

Signatures

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Gibson, Attorney-in-fact

12/21/2004

**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) Notional Shares convert to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis.
- (2) Notional shares are deemed immediately exercisable.
- (3) Notional shares are payable in cash at a date selected by the participant.

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