GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/

Form 4

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

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

BLANKFEIN LLOYD C

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/ [GS]					INC/	(Check all applicable)			
(Mont			3. Date of (Month/I 01/04/2	Day/Yea		ransaction		_	_X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
NEW YOR	(Street)			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)	Tab	le I - No	on-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Executio any		Code (Instr.	8) V	nor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or (D)	Price	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)	
value \$0.01 per share	01/04/2007			A	V	96,702	A	(1)	1,370,834	D		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	01/04/2007			F		44,822	D	\$ 199.37	1,326,012	D		
									137,915	I		

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Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share			See footnote (2)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	200,000	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	138,272	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	113,511	I	See footnote (3)

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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. Transa Code (Instr.		5. Number of nDerivative 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. De Se (In
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/04/2007		M	V		96,702	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	96,702	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BLANKFEIN LLOYD C C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK., NY 10004	X		Chairman of the Board and CEO					

Signatures

/s/ Roger S. Begelman, Attorney-in-fact 01/08/2007

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).

Date

- (1) On January 4, 2007, 96,702 shares of the Issuer's common stock underlying these Restricted Stock Units became deliverable, without the payment of any consideration, and were delivered to the Reporting Person.
- (2) As trustee of grantor retained annuity trust.

**Signature of Reporting Person

(3) Held through a trust, the sole trustee of which is the Reporting Person's spouse and the sole beneficiaries of which are immediate family members of the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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