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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Statement Iraola Manuel J (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONA, INC, 100 NORTH POINT CNTR E. **SUITE 600**

(Street)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CH ENERGY GROUP INC [chg]

> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Check all applicable)

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

Reporting Person

ALPHARETTA, GAÂ 30022

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5)

Â Common Stock 0 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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Price of (Instr. 4) Derivative Derivative Security: Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Direct (D) Security Exercisable Number of or Indirect Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Iraola Manuel J

C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONA, INC 100 NORTH POINT CNTR E, SUITE 600

ALPHARETTA, GAÂ 30022

Signatures

Manuel J. Iraola Per Power of Attorney 02/08/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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