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(Print or Type	e Responses)									
1. Name and ZEITCHIC		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [LTS]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
FINANCL	(First) (URG THALMAN AL SERVICES, 5 N AVENUE, 34TH	N 90		of Earliest T Day/Year) 2005	ransactior	1	X Director Officer (giv below)	ve title 0th below)	% Owner ler (specify	
NEW YO	(Street) EW YORK, NY 10022			endment, D onth/Day/Yea	-	al	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)	Tał	ole I - Non-l	Derivativ	e Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securi mAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount	(A) or d of (D) 4 and 5) (A) or	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)	
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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8		5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) A) or f (D)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.58	08/18/2005		А		150,000		<u>(1)</u>	08/17/2015	Common Stock	150,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ZEITCHICK MARK LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES 590 MADISON AVENUE, 34TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022							
Signatures							
/s/ Mark Zeitchick	08/18/2005						

Explanation of Responses:

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Date

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(1) These shares vest as to 1/4 of the shares on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant.

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**Signature of Reporting Person