FORSYTH STEPHEN C

Form 4

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading FORSYTH STEPHEN C Issuer Symbol HEXCEL CORP /DE/ [HXL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify **HEXCEL CORPORATION, 281** 01/10/2005 below) TRESSER BLVD. Exec. Vice President & CFO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting STAMFORD, CT 06901 Person (Ctota) (7:-

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	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)	
Common Stock (1)	01/10/2005		M	37,592	A	\$0	154,899	D	
Common Stock (2)	01/10/2005		F	11,279	D	\$ 14.75	143,620	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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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
Restricted Stock Units (3)	(3)	01/10/2005		M		14,333	01/10/2005	01/10/2005	Common Stock	14,333
Restricted Stock Units (3)	(3)	01/10/2005		M		23,259	01/10/2005	01/10/2005	Common Stock	23,259

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FORSYTH STEPHEN C HEXCEL CORPORATION 281 TRESSER BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901

Exec. Vice President & CFO

Signatures

/s/Stephen C. Forsyth by Seth L. Kaplan, Attorney-in-fact

01/12/2005

**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).
- (1) The Common Stock was acquired upon the conversion of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") in accordance with the terms of the underlying agreement. The RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b.
- (2) The Common Stock was withheld as payment of tax withholding required upon conversion of RSUs.
- (3) The RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b. Upon vesting, RSUs are converted into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock that are distributed to the grantee.
- (4) The RSUs were awarded to the grantee in lieu of a portion of the grantee's 2001 bonus.

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