

LAPOVSKY DAVID A  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LAPOVSKY DAVID A

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
142 WEST 57TH STREET  
(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ARBITRON INC [ARB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

EVP of Worldwide Research

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

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 1,840 A \$ 30.05  | 2,841  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 1,840 D \$ 40.248   | 1,001  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 1,386 A \$ 23.91  | 2,387  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 1,386 D \$ 40.248   | 1,001  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 13,333 A \$ 21.35   | 14,334   | D                                 |

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|              |            |   |        |   |           |       |   |
|--------------|------------|---|--------|---|-----------|-------|---|
| Common Stock | 01/27/2005 | S | 13,333 | D | \$ 40.248 | 1,001 | D |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2005 | M | 6,667  | A | \$ 20.95  | 7,668 | D |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2005 | S | 6,667  | D | \$ 40.248 | 1,001 | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |       |                |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|----------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title | Am or Nur of S |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 30.05   | 01/27/2005                           |  | M                              | 1,840   | 10/03/1997 10/03/2006                                    | Common Stock  | 1,    |                |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 23.91   | 01/27/2005                           |  | M                              | 1,386   | 10/20/2000 10/20/2009                                    | Common Stock  | 1,    |                |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 21.35   | 01/27/2005                           |  | M                              | 13,333  | 04/05/2002 04/05/2006                                    | Common Stock  | 13    |                |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 20.95   | 01/27/2005                           |  | M                              | 6,667   | 04/04/2002 04/04/2006                                    | Common Stock  | 6,    |                |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address           | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| LAPOVSKY DAVID A<br>142 WEST 57TH STREET |               |           | EVP of Worldwide Research |       |

NEW YORK, NY 10019

## Signatures

Dolores L. Cody, Attorney in Fact for David A.  
Lapovsky

01/31/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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