Themelis Nicholas Form 4 January 18, 2006

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Themelis Nicholas

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC., 140 BROADWAY, 42ND

FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

NEW YORK, NY 10005

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC [MKTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

01/09/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Head of Technology

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Amount

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price (D)

Common

Stock, par value

\$0.003 per share

01/09/2006

A 30,000 A

Code V

(1)

40,000

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.18	01/09/2006		A	45,000	(2)	01/09/2006	Common Stock	45,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Themelis Nicholas

C/O MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC. 140 BROADWAY, 42ND FLOOR

Head of Technology

NEW YORK, NY 10005

Signatures

/s/ Ori Solomon as attorney in fact for Nicholas Themelis

01/18/2006

**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) Represents a grant of restricted stock pursuant to the Company's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.

The option was granted on January 9, 2006. One third of the shares of common stock underlying the option will vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary of the date of grant and the remaining two thirds of the shares of common stock underlying the option will vest and become exercisable in twenty four equal monthly installments commencing thirteen months from the date of grant.

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