

HENNESSY ADVISORS INC
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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 *
HENNESSY BRIAN A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**HENNESSY ADVISORS INC
 [HNNA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2005

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

16 DEER CREEK COURT

(Street)

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

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

FAIRFAX, CA 94930

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 12/20/2005 | | S | V Amount (A) or (D) Price 10,000 D \$ 25.25 | 76,250 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 750 ⁽²⁾ | I | FBO Son |
| Common Stock | | | | | 750 ⁽²⁾ | I | FBO Daughter |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,500 ⁽³⁾ | I | FBO Son |
| Common Stock | | | | | 3,750 ⁽⁴⁾ | I | By Spouse's IRA |

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HENNESSY BRIAN A 16 DEER CREEK COURT FAIRFAX, CA 94930 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Linda Y. Kelso, as
Attorney-in-Fact

12/22/2005

**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) Reflects the acquisition of 28,750 shares pursuant to a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a dividend on March 8, 2005.
- (2) Reflects the acquisition of 250 shares pursuant to a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a dividend on March 8, 2005.
- (3) Reflects the acquisition of 500 shares pursuant to a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a dividend on March 8, 2005.
- (4) Reflects the acquisition of 1,250 shares pursuant to a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a dividend on March 8, 2005.

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