

NICHOLS JESSE CLYDE III  
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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 \*  
 NICHOLS JESSE CLYDE III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP  
 [LUK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

315 PARK AVENUE SOUTH 20TH FLOOR

05/11/2009

(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

NEW YORK, NY 10010

(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Shares	05/11/2009		M		750	A	\$ 15.56
Common Shares					159,472	I	See Explanation. (1)

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Shares	\$ 15.56	05/11/2009		M	750	<u>(2)</u> 05/11/2009	Common Shares	750
Option to Purchase Common Shares	\$ 24.44	05/11/2009		A	2,000	<u>(3)</u> 05/11/2014	Common Shares	2,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NICHOLS JESSE CLYDE III 315 PARK AVENUE SOUTH 20TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10010	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Jesse Clyde  
Nichols III

05/11/2009

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) Consists of 136,348 shares held by a revocable trust for the Benefit of the Reporting person and 22,374 shares held by the Reporting Person's wife.
- (2) The stock options were granted on May 11, 2004 under the Leucadia National Corporation 1999 Stock Option Plan, as amended. Pursuant to their terms, these options become exercisable at the rate of 25% per year commencing one year after the date of grant.
- (3) The stock options were granted under the Leucadia National Corporation 1999 Stock Option Plan, as amended. Pursuant to their terms, these options become exercisable at the rate of 25% per year commencing one year after the date of grant.

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