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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION									OMB APPROVAL	
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Form 5 obligation may conti <i>See</i> Instru- 1(b).	nue. Section 17(a) of the Pu	blic Uti	lity Hold	ing Com		ge Act of 1934, of 1935 or Sectio 940	on		
(Print or Type R	esponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SKAGGS ROBERT C JR			ymbol	Name and '		rading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (M	liddle) 3.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Che	(Check all applicable)		
801 E 86TH AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2006				_X_ Director10% Owner _X_ Officer (give titleOther (specify below) below) President & CEO			
				dment, Dat h/Day/Year)	e Original		 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 			
MERRILLV	ILLE, IN 46410-	6272					Form filed by Person	More than One Re	eporting	
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurities A	equired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock				Code V	Amount	(D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4) 74,185	D		
Common Stock							9,182.9189	I	401(k) Plan	

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acq Disp	umber of vative urities uired (A posed of tr. 3, 4, a) or (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V		(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 19.84							01/01/2003	01/01/2013	Common Stock	27,
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 21.005							01/25/2002	01/25/2012	Common Stock	18,
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 21.86							01/01/2005	01/01/2014	Common Stock	48,
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 22.62							01/03/2006	01/03/2015	Common Stock	171
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 25.94							01/01/2001	01/01/2011	Common Stock	15,
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	05/10/2006	05/10/2006	А	1,1	47.705		08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	1,14

Date

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SKAGGS ROBERT C JR 801 E 86TH AVENUE MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272	Х		President & CEO					
Signatures								
Gary W. Pottorff, Power of Attorne Skaggs, Jr.	05/11/2006							

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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