

Von Thae Lewis  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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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 \*

^ Von Thae Lewis  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION,^ 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE

(Street)

FALLS CHURCH,^ VA^ 22042

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
03/02/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP [GD]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	2,614	D	^
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	926.6835	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Stock Options	03/06/2003	03/05/2007	Common Stock	2,370	\$ 93.92	D	Â
Stock Options	03/06/2004	03/05/2007	Common Stock	2,370	\$ 93.92	D	Â
Stock Options	03/05/2005	03/04/2008	Common Stock	3,850	\$ 56.95	D	Â
Stock Options	03/03/2005	03/02/2009	Common Stock	2,690	\$ 91.34	D	Â
Stock Options	03/03/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock	2,690	\$ 91.34	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director   10% Owner   Officer   Other

Von Thae Lewis  
C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION  
2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE  
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Â   Â   Â Vice president   Â

## Signatures

Lewis F. Von  
Thaer                      03/03/2005

\_\_Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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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