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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* GELLERSTEDT LAWRENCE L III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

**COUSINS PROPERTIES INC** 

(Check all applicable)

President-Office/Multi-Fam Div

[CUZ]

(Month/Day/Year)

12/09/2005

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X\_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

2500 WINDY RIDGE PARKWAY, SUITE 1600

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

 $A^{(1)}$ 

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ATLANTA, GA 30339

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

D

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(D) Price

Code V Amount

2,648

\$0  $2,648^{(2)}$ (1)

Common Stock

12/09/2005

(State)

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)

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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 orDerivative 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	Amoun or Number of Share
Phantom Stock	(3)	12/09/2005		A	1,052	12/09/2006(3)	12/09/2009	Common Stock	1,052
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 28.69	12/09/2005		A	16,875	12/09/2006(4)	12/09/2015	Common Stock	16,87

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GELLERSTEDT LAWRENCE L III 2500 WINDY RIDGE PARKWAY SUITE 1600 ATLANTA, GA 30339

President-Office/Multi-Fam Div

# **Signatures**

Lawrence L. Gellerstedt III 12/13/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting 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).
- These options were granted under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These options will vest 25% per year (4) on the anniversary of the grant date, with shares being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. The Plan under which these options were granted complies with Rule 16b-3 and provides for tax withholding.
- Award of restricted stock units under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan. Each unit represents a right to receive a payment in cash equal to the fair market value of one share of CPI's common stock as of the date payment is due under the Plan. These units will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, with units being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends but will not have shareholder rights. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.
- Includes 2,648 restricted stock awarded under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These shares will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, and CPI will hold these shares until such shares become vested. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

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