MCCOLL JOHN S Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* MCCOLL JOHN S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

**COUSINS PROPERTIES INC** [CUZ]

(Check all applicable)

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

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

12/11/2006

Senior Vice President

2500 WINDY RIDGE PARKWAY, SUITE 1600

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

ATLANTA, GA 30339

(City)	(State) 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. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A)			<b>)</b> )	5. Amount of 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)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/11/2006		M(1)	233	A	\$ 0 (1)	131,382 (2)	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2006		D	233	D	\$ 36	131,149 (2)	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2006		F(3)	1,324	D	\$ 36	129,825 (2)	D	
Common Stock							450 (4)	I	As Trustee for children
							5,759 <u>(5)</u>	I	

Common Stock

By Profit Sharing 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of on 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 Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Phantom Stock	<u>(6)</u>	12/11/2006		A	4,724		12/11/2007(6)	12/11/2010	Common Stock	4,7
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	12/11/2006(6)		M(1)		233	12/09/2006(6)	12/09/2009	Common Stock	23
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 36 (7)	12/11/2006		A	21,972		12/11/2007(7)	12/11/2016	Common Stock	21,9

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCCOLL JOHN S 2500 WINDY RIDGE PARKWAY SUITE 1600 ATLANTA, GA 30339

Senior Vice President

# **Signatures**

John S. McColl 12/14/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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# **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 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These options will vest 25% per year on the anniversary of the grant date, with shares being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. The reporting person may, as an alternative to exercising the stock option
- (7) right to purchase CPI stock, elect to exercise the related Stock Appreciation Right (SAR). The exercise of the SAR allows the reporting person to receive the number of whole shares of CPI stock equal to the difference between the fair market value of the stock on the date of exercise and the option price.
- (5) Shares held by the reporting person as beneficiary in the Company's Profit Sharing Plan.
  - Award of restricted stock units under the 2005 RSU 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
- (6) 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.
- (3) Shares withheld from the vesting of restricted stock to pay the reporting person's tax liability as permitted under the 1999 Incentive Stock Plan.
- Restricted stock units were granted under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 2005 Restricted Stock Unit (the 2005 RSU Plan) and have vested as to 25% of the total units granted. As permitted under the 2005 RSU Plan, the reporting person settled the 233 vested units for cash from CPI. Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of CPI common stock.
- (4) Shares held as trustee in a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's children.
- Includes 5,962 shares of restricted stock awarded under the 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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