FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre BELL DAVI	1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES</u>		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	<u>INC</u> [IPG]	x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
C/O THE INTE	RPUBLIC GR	OUP OF COMPANIES	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2004		Chairman of the Board & CEO		
1271 AVENUE	OF THE AME	LRICAS	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6 Indiv	vidual or Joint/Group Filin	g (Check Applicable	
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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. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150. 4)
Common Stock	05/18/2004		A		124,466	A	\$14.06	646,836	D	
Common Stock								8,047	Ι	Descendants' Trusts
Common Stock								93,980	Ι	401(k) Plan

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. Transa Code (8)		n Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/N	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Options	\$14.06	05/18/2004		A		248,933		(1)	05/17/2014	Common Stock	248,933	\$0	248,933	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests as follows: (i) 33% of the total number of shares underlying the option vests on May 18, 2006; (ii) 33% of the total number of shares underlying the option vests on May 18, 2007 and (iii) 34% of the total number of shares underlying the option vests on May 18, 2008.

> Marjorie Hoey by POA for 05/19/2004 David Bell

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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