PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC

Form 4

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1(b).

obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LAWSON RODGER A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[(PRU)]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

Vice Chairman

(Month/Day/Year)

02/08/2005

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL. INC., 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH **FLOOR**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

NEWARK, NJ 071023777

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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(Instr. 4)

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8		5. Number of onDerivative 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 Numbe of Shar
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 55.75	02/08/2005		A		95,026		<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2015	Common Stock	95,02
Performance Shares	\$ 0 (2)	02/08/2005		A		31,681 (3)		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	31,68

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAWSON RODGER A C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC. 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR NEWARK, NJ 071023777

Vice Chairman

Signatures

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Gibson, Attorney-in-fact

02/10/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- (1) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 8, 2006.
- (2) The Performance Shares convert to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis.

Represents the target number of shares to be received upon attainment of an average Return On Equity (ROE) of 12% and Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) in Earnings Per Share (EPS) of 10% over the 2005 through 2007 performance period. Both the ROE and EPS targets are based on after-tax adjusted operating income for the financial services businesses, normalized

(3) for significant one-time benefits or charges that do not accurately reflect the operating performance of the Company's businesses in the judgment of the Compensation Committee. Attainment of 13% average ROE and EPS growth of 12% would result in an award of 150% of target while average ROE of 10% or less and EPS growth of 8% or less would result in an award of 50% of target. The actual number of shares to be received will be determined by the Compensation Committee in February 2008.

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