MARKEL ANTHONY F

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MARKEL ANTHONY F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MARKEL CORP [MKL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an approach)		
	MARKEL RPORATION, 4521 GHWOODS PKWY		(Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner Section Officer (give title Other (specification) below) President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - No	n-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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 (Instr.		4. Securi n(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	06/13/2005		G	V	3,068	A	\$ 0	3,068 (1)	I	By Spouse as Trustee
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S		550	D	\$ 326.5	2,518	I	By Spouse as Trustee
Common Stock								211,203 (2)	D	
Common Stock								60,000 (2)	I	By Trust

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Common Stock	3,411	I	As Trustee (4)
Common Stock	3,366	I	As Trustee (4)
Common Stock	2,850	I	As Trustee (4)
Common Stock	6,000	I	By Spouse (5)
Common Stock	2,443	I	By Trust

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MARKEL ANTHONY F C/O MARKEL CORPORATION 4521 HIGHWOODS PKWY GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060	X		President			

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Signatures

Linda S. Rotz, Attorney-in-fact for Anthony F.
Markel

11/07/2005

**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) Mr. Markel's spouse is the Trustee of an irrevocable trust established in June 2005 for the benefit of Mr. Markel's child. Mr. Markel expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of securities.
- (2) End of period holdings reflect change in form of beneficial ownership by reason of contribution by Mr. Markel of 60,000 shares to Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts.
- (3) Mr. Markel is a Trustee and partial beneficiary of a series of Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts. The total reported herein reflects the aggregate of all such trusts.
- (4) Mr. Markel is Trustee of irrevocable trusts for the benefit of his children. Beneficial ownership of securities is expressly disclaimed.
- (5) Beneficial ownership of securities is expressly disclaimed.
- (6) Mr. Markel is the Trustee of a trust for the benefit of his children and their descendants and in which Mr. Markel retains a partial interest.

 Mr. Markel disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held in the trust except to the extent of his partial interest.

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