HERCULES INC

Form 4

September 21, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CARRINGTON EDWARD V | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERCULES INC [HPC] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|---|------------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | () | | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% Owner | | | |
| HERCULES PLAZA, 1313 N. MARKET STREET | | | 09/20/2006 | X Officer (give title Other (specify | | | |
| | | | | below) below) Vice President, Human Resource | | | |
| (Street) WILMINGTON, DE 19894-0001 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| | | | 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 - Non-D | erivative S | Securi | ties Acqu | es 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired n(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 | or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | | M(1) | 35,500 | A | \$ 11.28 | 121,650 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | | S(1) | 100 | D | \$ 15.78 | 121,550 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | | S(1) | 100 | D | \$ 15.79 | 121,450 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 200 | D | \$ 15.81 | 121,250 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 200 | D | \$ 15.82 | 121,050 | D | | | | |

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| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S(1) | 100 | D | \$ 15.83 | 120,950 | D |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|--------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S <u>(1)</u> | 400 | D | \$ 15.84 | 120,550 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S(1) | 7,000 | D | \$ 15.86 | 113,550 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S(1) | 7,600 | D | \$ 15.87 | 105,950 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S <u>(1)</u> | 6,200 | D | \$ 15.88 | 99,750 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S <u>(1)</u> | 13,600 | D | \$ 15.89 | 86,150 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | M(1) | 50,000 | A | \$ 11.91 | 136,150 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S(1) | 1,000 | D | \$ 15.84 | 135,150 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S(1) | 7,100 | D | \$ 15.85 | 128,050 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/20/2006 | S(1) | 41,900 | D | \$ 15.9 | 86,150 | D |

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 | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|------------------|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| | Derivative Security | | | | or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Stock Option | \$ 11.28 | 09/20/2006 | | M(1) | | 35,500 | 08/23/2002(2) | 08/23/2011 | Common Stock | 35,50 |
| Stock Option | \$ 11.91 | 09/20/2006 | | M(1) | | 50,000 | 05/09/2003(3) | 05/09/2012 | Common Stock | 50,00 |

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARRINGTON EDWARD V HERCULES PLAZA 1313 N. MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, DE 19894-0001

Vice President, Human Resource

Signatures

/s/ Richard G. Dahlen Acting As Attorney in Fact for Edward V. Carrington

09/21/2006

**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).
- The sales and stock option exercises reported on this Form 4 were affected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on September 6, 2006.
- (2) Three year staggered vesting period in 40%, 40% and 20% increments beginning 8/23/2002.
- (3) Three year staggered vesting period in 40%, 40% and 20% increments beginning 5/9/2003.

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