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FORM 4OMB APPROVALFORK 4UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549OMB APPROVALCheck this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 							
(Print or Type Responses)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> FORMICA P MICHAEL	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ORASURE TECHNOLOGIES INC [OSUR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 220 EAST FIRST STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction(Month/Day/Year)03/15/2006	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Exec. VP - Operations					
(Street) BETHLEHEM, PA 18015	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 						
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					
(Instr. 3) any (Month/	on Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities6. Ownership Form: Direct7. Nature of IndirectBeneficially Owned(D) or Indirect (I)Beneficial OwnershipFollowing Following Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)(Instr. 4)					
Common 03/15/2006 Stock	$F_{\underline{(1)}}$ 1,530 D $\$_{10.32}$	83,701 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 Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Under Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FORMICA P MICHAEL 220 EAST FIRST STREET BETHLEHEM, PA 18015			Exec. VP - Operations	
Signatures				

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Mark L. Kuna, as Attorney-In-Fact for P. Michael Formica, (Power of Attorney previously 03/17/2006 filed)

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Withholding of shares to pay the tax liability associated with vesting of restricted shares.

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