ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO /DE/

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

(Middle)

(Zip)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

6301 FITCH PATH

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Mendenhall Thomas D Issuer Symbol ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO (Check all applicable)

/DE/ [ANF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) SVP & General Manager

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

below)

NEW ALBANY, OH 43054

(First)

(Street)

(State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Amount

(Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Class A

Common 03/06/2006 A Stock

12,000 \$0 35,750 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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 57.26	03/06/2006		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/06/2016	Class A Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mendenhall Thomas D 6301 FITCH PATH NEW ALBANY, OH 43054

SVP & General Manager

Signatures

By: Robert J. Tannous, Attorney-in-Fact 03/08/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Option vests 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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