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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEPLEY RICK			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OFFICE DEPOT INC [ODP]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2200 OLD GERMANTOWN ROAD, MAIL CODE: LEGL			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2006					(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP-North American Retail			
DELRAY E	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					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)	Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiton(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	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	03/16/2006			M	6,667	A	\$ 11.49	38,053 (1)	D		
Common Stock								200	I	By Custodian	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.49	03/16/2006	M	6,667	02/14/2004(2)	02/14/2013	Common Stock	6,667

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

EVP-North American Retail

LEPLEY RICK 2200 OLD GERMANTOWN ROAD MAIL CODE: LEGL

MAIL CODE, LEGE

DELRAY BEACH, FL 33445

Signatures

By: Anne Zuckerman, Attorney-in-Fact for: 03/20/2006

**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).
- Beneficial Holdings on Table I is updated to include 3437 total shares in the Employee Stock Purchase Plan; 620 total shares in the 401(k); and 2,153 total shares under a Deferred Compensation Plan as of 3/10/2006.
- (2) Each option is exercisable with respect to one-third of the shares on each annual anniversary of the date of the grant.

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