

GENERAL CABLE CORP /DE/
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VIRGULAK CHRISTOPHER F

(Last) (First) (Middle)
4 TESSENEER DR
(Street)

HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY 41076

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GENERAL CABLE CORP /DE/
[BGC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/03/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive VP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	05/03/2006		M		20,000 A \$ 21.063	29,561	D
Common Stock	05/03/2006		S		20,000 D \$ 35.4038	9,561	D
Common Stock	05/03/2006		M		7,500 A \$ 25.83	17,061	D
Common Stock	05/03/2006		S		7,500 D \$ 35.4038	9,561	D
Common Stock - Deferred						127,275	I By Trust

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.4038	05/03/2006		M	20,000	02/03/2002 02/03/2009	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.4038	05/03/2006		M	7,500	01/29/2001 01/29/2008	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VIRGULAK CHRISTOPHER F 4 TESSENEER DR HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY 41076			Executive VP & CFO	

Signatures

Robert J. Siverd, as Attorney-in-Fact for Christopher F. Virgulak
05/04/2006

**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).

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