

DESANTIS MICHAEL J
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FORM 4

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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 *
DESANTIS MICHAEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE [CHH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
10750 COLUMBIA PIKE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/09/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP, Secy. & Gen Counsel

SILVER SPRING, MD 20901

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/09/2005		M	21,000 A \$ 6.3125	100,520.6	D	
Common Stock	12/09/2005		S	6,000 D \$ 38.0058	94,520.6	D	
Common Stock	12/09/2005		S	4,200 D \$ 38.0608	90,320.6	D	
Common Stock	12/09/2005		S	3,300 D \$ 38.1658	87,020.6	D	
Common Stock	12/09/2005		S	3,400 D \$ 38.1753	83,620.6	D	

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Common Stock	12/09/2005	S	3,100	D	\$ 38.2613	80,520.6	D	
Common Stock	12/09/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 38.31	79,520.6	D	
Common Stock						1,677	I	401 (k) Plan
Common Stock						2,007	I	Non-Qualified Plan

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. 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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6.3125	12/09/2005		M	21,000	<u>(1)</u> 12/01/2009	Common Stock 21,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DESANTIS MICHAEL J 10750 COLUMBIA PIKE SILVER SPRING, MD 20901			Senior VP, Secy. & Gen Counsel	

Signatures

Michael J. DeSantis 12/12/2005

**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).
- (1) Options vest in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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