

MICROSTRATEGY INC  
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 \*  
BANSAL SANJU K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MICROSTRATEGY  
INCORPORATED, 1861  
INTERNATIONAL DRIVE

(Street)

MCLEAN, VA 22102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MICROSTRATEGY INC [MSTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/08/2005

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)  
Vice Chairman, EVP and COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount Price                                    |   |  |                                    |
| Class A Common Stock            | 09/08/2005                           |  | S                              | 2,400 D \$ 74.85  | 7,600 <sup>(1)</sup>  | I  | Shares Owned by LLC <sup>(2)</sup> |
| Class A Common Stock            | 09/08/2005                           |  | S                              | 1,100 D \$ 74.86  | 6,500   | I  | Shares Owned by LLC                |
| Class A Common Stock            | 09/08/2005                           |  | S                              | 100 D \$ 74.87  | 6,400   | I  | Shares Owned by LLC                |
| Class A Common Stock            | 09/08/2005                           |  | S                              | 3,425 D \$ 74.9   | 2,975   | I  | Shares                             |

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|----------------------|------------|--|---|-------|---|----------|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Common Stock         |            |  |   |       |   |          |        |   | Owned by LLC                         |
| Class A Common Stock | 09/08/2005 |  | S | 1,575 | D | \$ 74.92 | 1,400  | I | Shares Owned by LLC                  |
| Class A Common Stock | 09/08/2005 |  | S | 1,400 | D | \$ 74.94 | 0      | I | Shares Owned by LLC                  |
| Class A Common Stock |            |  |   |       |   |          | 50,000 | I | Shares Owned by Trust <sup>(3)</sup> |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                            |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    | Other |
| BANSAL SANJU K<br>C/O MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED<br>1861 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE<br>MCLEAN, VA 22102 | X             |           | Vice Chairman, EVP and COO |       |

## Signatures

Sanju K. Bansal

09/12/2005

\*\*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).  
Separate open market sale transactions that were executed on 09/08/2005 at the same price have been reported on an aggregate basis on a  
(1) single line in Table I. The order in which sale transactions are set forth in Table I is not necessarily reflective of the sequence in which the sale transactions occurred in fact.  
(2) Shares that are indicated as being "owned by LLC" are owned directly by Shangri-La LLC (the "LLC"), and indirectly by Mr. Bansal as sole member of the LLC.  
(3) These shares are owned directly by the Sanjeev K. Bansal Qualified Annuity Trust #3, and indirectly by Mr. Bansal as sole trustee of that trust.

### Remarks:

See Exhibit A.

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