BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ROTHKOPF ARTHUR J

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS INC

4. If Amendment, Date Original

[BRW]

(Check all applicable)

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

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

316 MARKLE HALL 11/19/2004

(Middle)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

EASTON, PA 18042

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

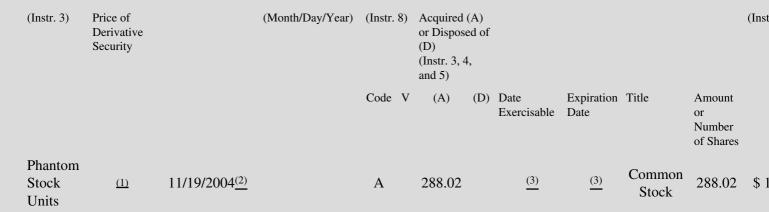
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Pı Derivative TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Deri (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security or Exercise Code Securities Secu any

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROTHKOPF ARTHUR J				
316 MARKLE HALL	X			
EASTON, PA 18042				

Signatures

Alexis S. Oster, by power of attorney for the Reporting
Person

**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) Phantom Stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The transaction date is the date on which the units, in accordance with the Bristol West Holdings, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation and Stock Award Plan, were credited to the reporting person's account within such Plan.
- These units of Phantom Stock become payable per the election of the repoting person or upon the reporting person's termination of (3) service as a director, subject to certain provisions and conditions as set forth in the Bristol West Holdings, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation and Stock Award Plan.

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