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(Print or Type Respo	onses)										
BENSON RICHARD R Sym			Symbol	Name and Y EAST			-	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
				of Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 2005				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Vice President-Subsidiary			
	(Street)		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 			
ROCHESTER,	NY 14649							Person	lore than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned	
	Fransaction Da onth/Day/Year	 Execution any 		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3,	sposed	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)		
Common 04 Stock 04	/01/2005			А	7,540	A	\$ 26.12	20,517.354 (<u>1)</u>	D		
Common Stock								7,655.001 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By 401(k) 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)	A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	-		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and An Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) / SAR (3)	\$ 26.7188						02/19/1999 <u>(4)</u>	02/19/2009	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) / SAR (3)	\$ 23.89	02/17/2005		М		13,333	02/12/2004 <u>(5)</u>	02/12/2014	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) /SAR (3)	\$ 26.22	04/01/2005		А	11,962		04/01/2005 <u>(6)</u>	04/01/2015	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BENSON RICHARD R ENERGY EAST MANAGEMENT CORPORATION 89 EAST AVENUE ROCHESTER, NY 14649				Vice President-Subsidiary		
Signatures						
Richard R.	04/05/2005					

Benson <u>**</u>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) Includes equity securities acquired with reinvested dividends which are exempt from reporting under Rule 16a-11.
- (2) Includes equity securities acquired with participant contributions, Company matching fund contributions, and reinvested dividends pursuant to the common stock fund of the Company's 401(k) Plan which are exempt from reporting.

The Stock Appreciation Right (SAR) was issued in tandem with an Employee Stock Option (right to buy). The exercise of a SAR will result in the corresponding cancellation of the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) to the extent of the number of shares of the

(3) Company's Common Stock as to which SARs are exercised. The exercise of the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) will result in the corresponding cancellation of a SAR to the extent of the number of shares of the Company's Common Stock as to which the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) is exercised.

The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more
(4) than 33 1/3% on February 19, 1999; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on January 1, 2000; and (c) on January 1, 2001 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.

The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more
(5) than 33 1/3% on February 12, 2004; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on January 1, 2005; and (c) on January 1, 2006 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.

The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more(6) than 33 1/3% on April 1, 2005; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on January 1, 2006; and (c) on January 1, 2007 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.

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