#### MICROSTRATEGY INC

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* RICKERTSEN CARL J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

MICROSTRATEGY INC [MSTR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/07/2004

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title \_ Other (specify

C/O MICROSTRATEGY **INCORPORATED, 1861** INTERNATIONAL DRIVE

> (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

MCLEAN, VA 22102

(City)	(State) (	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securin(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	(A) or	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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004		M	5,000	A	\$ 20.69	5,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004		M	4,000	A	\$ 7.62	9,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004		S	5,941	D	\$ 66.4	3,059 (1)	D	
Class A	12/07/2004		S	1,059	D	\$	2,000	D	

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Common Stock					66.41	
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	200	D	\$ 66.42 1,800	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	500	D	\$ 66.45 1,300	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	500	D	\$ 66.5 800	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	800	D	\$ 66.51 0	D

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)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	5. Number conf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		of Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.69	12/07/2004		M		5,000	02/08/2004(2)	02/08/2013	Class A Common Stock	5,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.62	12/07/2004		M		4,000	(3)	10/07/2012	Class A Common Stock	4,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RICKERTSEN CARL J C/O MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED 1861 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22102

X

## **Signatures**

W. Ming Shao, As Attorney-in-Fact

12/09/2004

\*\*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 December 7, 2004 at the same price have been reported on an aggregate
- (1) basis on a 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) The remaining portion of this option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on 02/08/2005 and expires on 02/08/2013.
- Of the 4,000 shares exercised on 12/07/2004 pursuant to this stock option, 2,000 shares vested on 10/07/2003 and 2,000 shares vested on
- (3) 10/07/2004. The remaining portion of this option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on 10/07/2005 and expires on 10/07/2012.

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