HOVNANIAN SIRWART

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HOVNANIAN KEVORK S

| | | | HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC [HOV] | | | | | (Check | all applicable |) |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--------|------------|---|--|---|
| (Last) | | (Middle) | | of Earliest T Day/Year) 2004 | Transaction | | _ | _X Director _X Officer (give t elow) Chairm | itle Othe below) an of the Board | r (specify |
| | | | | endment, Donth/Day/Yea | Oate Origina ar) | al | .A | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tob | da I. Nan | Dominatina | Com | | erson | on Donoficial | v Overnod |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | e 2A. Deem | ed Date, if | 3. | 4. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4 | ies Ac | quired (A) | 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 | 12/13/2004 | | | S | 7,000 | D | \$ 46.6 | 7,723,424 | D (2) | |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | | | S | 1,400 | D | \$ 46.59 | 7,722,024 | D (2) | |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | | | S | 3,300 | D | \$ 46.57 | 7,718,724 | D (2) | |
| Class A Common | 12/13/2004 | | | S | 1,500 | D | \$ 46.56 | 7,717,224 | D (2) | |

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| Stock | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------|---|--------|---|----------|-----------|-------|
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 300 | D | \$ 46.55 | 7,716,924 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 900 | D | \$ 46.54 | 7,716,024 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 3,800 | D | \$ 46.53 | 7,712,224 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 400 | D | \$ 46.52 | 7,711,824 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 4,700 | D | \$ 46.51 | 7,707,124 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 33,600 | D | \$ 46.5 | 7,673,524 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,400 | D | \$ 46.49 | 7,672,124 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 800 | D | \$ 46.48 | 7,671,324 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,900 | D | \$ 46.47 | 7,669,424 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 2,000 | D | \$ 46.46 | 7,667,424 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 46.45 | 7,666,424 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 2,200 | D | \$ 46.43 | 7,664,224 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 46.42 | 7,663,224 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,900 | D | \$ 46.41 | 7,661,324 | D (2) |

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| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 11,500 | D | \$ 46.4 | 7,649,824 | D (2) |
|----------------------------|------------|---|---------------|---|---------------|-----------|-------|
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 4,000 | D | \$ 46.39 | 7,645,824 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,400 | D | \$ 46.38 | 7,644,424 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 600 | D | \$ 46.37 | 7,643,824 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,400 | D | \$ 46.36 | 7,642,424 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 1,800 | D | \$ 46.35 | 7,640,624 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 400 | D | \$ 46.34 | 7,640,224 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 10,900 | D | \$ 46.33 | 7,629,324 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 6,400 | D | \$ 46.32 | 7,622,924 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 800 | D | \$ 46.31 | 7,622,124 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/13/2004 | S | 91,700 (1) | D | \$ 46.1919 | 7,530,424 | D (2) |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | | 190,000 | D (3) |

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)

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| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | ate | 7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a | of ng s | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|---------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | or Title Nu of | umber | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| F- | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| HOVNANIAN KEVORK S 10 HIGHWAY 35 RED BANK, NJ 07701 | X | X | Chairman of the Board | | | | | |
| HOVNANIAN SIRWART 10 HIGHWAY 35 RED BANK, NJ 07701 | | X | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Nancy A.

Marrazzo

**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).
- 91,700 consists of the following trades: 6,100@\$46.30; 2,100@\$46.29; 1,700@\$46.28; 7,500@\$46.27; 3,600@\$46.26; 700@\$46.25; 1,800@\$46.24; 10,800@\$46.21; 2,600@\$46.18; 7,900@\$46.17; 600@\$46.16; 46,300@\$46.15.
- (2) These shares are held by Kevork S. Hovnanian.
- (3) These shares are held by Sirwart Hovnanian, wife of Kevork S. Hovnanian.

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