FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GAINES BRENDA J | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OFFICE DEPOT INC [ODP] | | | | | | | | | | | olicable) | • | erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner | | |
|---|--|--|--|-------|--|---|-----|---|------------------------------------|---------------|---|-------|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CITICORP DINERS CLUB INC. | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/26/2004 | | | | | | | | | | Office below | er (give title w) | | Other (specify below) | | |
| 8430 W. BRYN MAWR AVENUE | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
| (Street) CHICAGO IL 60631 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (St | ate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | | | Executio ay/Year) if any | | Deemed ecution Date, ny onth/Day/Year) | | | | | ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | 5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned Report | ties cially I Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | • | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (instr. 4) | | | | |
| Common Stock 05/26/ | | | | | | 5/2004 | | | | | 1,200 |) | A | A \$16 | | 6.2 1,20 | | D | | | |
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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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transaction Code (Instr 8) | | | | 6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D | е | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | str. 3 | 8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5) | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Owne Form: Direct or Ind (I) (Ins | : t (D) lirect | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisal | | Expiration Date | Title | or Nun of | ount nber res | r | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

By: Brian Dan, Attorney-in-Fact for:

05/28/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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