

CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**THOMSON GARY**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE [CHH]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**10750 COLUMBIA PIKE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/07/2006**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Senior Vice President**

**SILVER SPRING, MD 20901**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)	
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	
Common Stock	03/07/2006		M		5,598	A	\$ 6.3125 27,708	D
Common Stock	03/07/2006		M		18,000	A	\$ 8.375 45,708	D
Common Stock	03/07/2006		M		2,300	A	\$ 4.5937 48,008	D
Common Stock	03/07/2006		M		1,628	A	\$ 6.0565 49,636	D
Common Stock	03/07/2006		M		1,750	A	\$ 7.4218 51,386	D

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Common Stock	03/07/2006	M	2,096	A	\$ 6.6004	53,482	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2006	M	5,000	A	\$ 6.3125	58,482	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2006	M	5,000	A	\$ 4.5937	63,482	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2006	M	6,000	A	\$ 8.375	69,482	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2006	M	25,898	D	\$ <u>(1)</u> 43.8587	43,584	D	
Common Stock						4,600	I	401 (k)

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6.3125	03/07/2006		M	5,598	<u>(2)</u>	02/01/2009	Common Stock	5,598
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.375	03/07/2006		M	18,000	<u>(2)</u>	02/07/2010	Common Stock	18,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.5937	03/07/2006		M	2,300	<u>(2)</u>	08/18/2010	Common Stock	2,300
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6.0565	03/07/2006		M	1,628	<u>(2)</u>	07/01/2006	Common Stock	1,628

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Employee Stock Option	\$ 7.4218	03/07/2006	M	1,750	(2)	01/26/2008	Common Stock	1,750
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6.6004	03/07/2006	M	2,096	(2)	06/24/2007	Common Stock	2,096
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6.3125	03/07/2006	M	5,000	(2)	02/01/2009	Common Stock	5,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.5937	03/07/2006	M	5,000	(2)	08/18/2010	Common Stock	5,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.375	03/07/2006	M	6,000	(2)	02/07/2010	Common Stock	6,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THOMSON GARY 10750 COLUMBIA PIKE SILVER SPRING, MD 20901			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

Gary Thomson  
03/08/2006

\*\*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) Average price reflects series of transactions \$43.75 to \$44.19
- (2) Options vest in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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