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## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* VAN SAUN BRUCE W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BOWATER INC [BOW]

X\_ Director

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY

04/02/2007

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

GREENVILLE, SC 29601

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

(D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

Indirect

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4 TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)
(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares

Phantom

Stock (2) 04/02/2007 A 442.14 (1) Common Stock (1) Stock 442.14 S

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VAN SAUN BRUCE W 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY X GREENVILLE, SC 29601

## **Signatures**

Ronald T. Lindsay, Attorney-in-Fact 04/04/2007

\*\*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).

These phantom stock units were allocated under the Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors (the "Directors Plan"). The
Directors Plan provides for settlement of phantom stock units in cash, Company common stock (on a 1-for-1 basis), or a combination of the two following the director's ceasing to be an outside director of the Company. Phantom stock units included in this total not otherwise accounted for by a transaction on this form were allocated under the dividend reinvestment feature of the Directors Plan.

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