

CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE
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**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 *
 DESANTIS MICHAEL J

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)
 05/24/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary

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 (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	05/24/2006		M		13,100 A \$ 8.375	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2006		S		13,100 D \$ 53.6811 (1)	D	
Common Stock	05/25/2006		M		5,900 A \$ 8.375	D	
Common Stock	05/25/2006		S		5,900 D \$ 53.4673 (2)	D	
						I	401 (k) Plan
					3,627		

Common
Stock

Common
Stock

4,067

I

Non-Qualified
Plan

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	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.375	05/24/2006		M	13,100	(3) 02/07/2010		Common Stock	13,100
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.375	05/25/2006		M	5,900	(3) 02/07/2010		Common Stock	5,900

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DESANTIS MICHAEL J 10750 COLUMBIA PIKE SILVER SPRING, MD 20901			SVP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary	

Signatures

Michael J.
DeSantis 05/25/2006

**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 between \$53.50 and \$53.99
- (2) Average price reflects series of transactions between \$53.40 and \$53.50
- (3) Options vest in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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