FERGUSON JOHN D

Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

FERGUSON JOHN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA [CXW]

(First)

(Ctata)

10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD 12/01/2005

(Middle)

(7:-

(Street) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

4. If Amendment, Date Original

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title below)

Issuer

10% Owner Other (specify

President and CEO

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NASHVILLE, TN 37215

	(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	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)
	Common Stock	12/01/2005		M(1)	10,000	A	\$ 8.75	50,340	D	
	CXW Common Stock	12/01/2005		S(1)	10,000	D	\$ 44.73	40,340	D	

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

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	FransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Purchase	\$ 8.75	12/01/2005		M		10,000	05/22/2002(2)	05/22/2011	CXW Common Stock	10,0

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

FERGUSON JOHN D

10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD X President and CEO

NASHVILLE, TN 37215

Signatures

John Ferguson 12/05/2005

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

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) Represents partial exercise of employee stock option and sale of shares acquired through exercise pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) Represents partial exercise of employee stock option completely vested as of May 22, 2004.

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