UNIVERSAL CORP/VA/

Form 4

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FORM 4

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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 * KING ALLEN B			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			UNIVERSAL CORP /VA/ [UVV]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1501 N HAMILTON STREET			12/17/2004	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Chairman, President & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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Person

RICHMOND, VA 23230

(City)	(State) (Z	iip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative Sec	curitie	s Acquired,	Disposed of, or l	Beneficially (Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4)	of (D)	uired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/17/2004	12/17/2004	M	60,826	A	\$ 38.9375	0	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2004	12/17/2004	M	73,078	A	\$ 42.82	0	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2004	12/17/2004	F	114,035	D	\$ 48.21	0	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2004	12/17/2004	I	8,385	D	\$ 48.21	127,918	D	
Common Stock-ESPP							20,900	I (1)	shares held in the ESPP

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of S
Options to buy Common Stock	\$ 38.93	12/17/2004	12/17/2004	M		60,826	06/15/1998	11/20/2007	Common Stock (2)	60,
Options to buy Common Stock	\$ 42.82	12/17/2004	12/17/2004	M		73,078	12/17/2003	12/05/2012	Common Stock (2)	73,
Options to buy Common Stock	\$ 48.21	12/17/2004		A	64,908		06/17/2005	12/05/2012	Common Stock (2)	64,
Options to buy Common Stock	\$ 48.21	12/17/2004		A	49,127		06/17/2005	12/15/2007	Common Stock (2)	49,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
.r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KING ALLEN B 1501 N HAMILTON STREET RICHMOND, VA 23230			Chairman, President & CEO					

Signatures

Allen B. King, by Terri L. Marks, Power of
Attorney 12/20/2004

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**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) shares held in the Employee Stock Purchase Plan
- (2) Options issued under the Executive Stock Plan

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