

GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO

Form 4

May 26, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MCGURN DAVID E JR

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO
[AJG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER &
CO., TWO PIERCE PLACE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/26/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Vice President

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

ITASCA, IL 60143

(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	05/26/2005		M		20,000	A	\$ 8.59	156,933 D
Common Stock	05/26/2005		S		20,000	D	\$ 27.5566	136,933 D
Common Stock							717	I by Son
Common Stock							1,434	I by Spouse (1)
							47,272	I by Trust

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Common
Stock

Common
Stock
(restricted)

4,763 D

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 Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.59	05/26/2005		M	20,000	(2) 06/11/2005	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.97					(2) 07/17/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.25					(2) 08/30/2008	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.5					(2) 06/20/2010	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.7					(2) 07/21/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.9					01/01/2004(2) 07/16/2013	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.5					(2) 07/19/2011	Common Stock

Non-Qualified

Stock Option \$ 29.42

(right to buy)

(2)

07/21/2014

Common
Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCGURN DAVID E JR ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143			Vice President	

Signatures

By: John C. Rosengren For: David E.
McGurn, Jr.

05/26/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Held by spouse as custodian for benefit of children under the Uniform Gift to Minors Act.

(2) The stock option becomes exercisable 10% each year, commencing January 1 after the date of grant.

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