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(Print or Type R	Responses)											
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person2. IssueROBERTS JOHN RSymbol			uer Name and Ticker or Trading				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
			-	ENE COF	RP [CNC]			(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (I	Middle)	3. Date o	f Earliest T	ransaction)		
			Ionth/Day/Year) 9/30/2005				X_ Director10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify					
AVENUE, SUITE 800			09/30/2	.005			1	below) below)				
			4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
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ST. LOUIS, MO 63105									ed by More than One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-J	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned		
	urity (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if			3.4. Securities Acquired (ATransactiomr Disposed of (D)Code(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)(Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	09/30/2005			Code V A	Amount 843.924 (1)	(A) or (D) A	Price \$ 25.18	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 10,096.03	(I) (Instr. 4) D			
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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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. 6. Date Exercisable and orNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addre	255	Relationships						
http://ling o white i fame / i fame	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ROBERTS JOHN R 7711 CARONDELET AVEN SUITE 800 ST. LOUIS, MO 63105	UE X							
Signatures								
/s/ John R. 1 Roberts 1	0/04/2005							
<u>**</u> Signature of	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) Shares represent restricted stock units reserved in lieu of cash payment of fees under the Company's Non-employee Directors Deferred Stock Compensation Plan

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