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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement **BOWATER INC [BOW]** A Loney Roger A (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2005 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN (Check all applicable) WAY (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting **VP-Newsprint Operations** Person GREENVILLE, Â SCÂ 29601 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock I 1,243.0918 401 (K) Plan Common Stock 1,356 D Â Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Indirect Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/30/2011	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 51.93	D	Â
Stock Option (rigfht to buy)	(1)	01/29/2012	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 47.025	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/28/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 40.74	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	01/27/2005(3)	01/27/2014	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 45.02	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	01/25/2006(3)	01/25/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 37.295	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(2)	01/17/2006	Common Stock	1,250	\$ 34.875	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(2)	01/22/2007	Common Stock	1,250	\$ 41.875	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(2)	01/27/2008	Common Stock	1,250	\$ 48.9688	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(2)	01/26/2009	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 41.0313	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(2)	01/25/2010	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 48	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Loney Roger A					
55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY	Â	Â	VP-Newsprint Operations	Â	
GREENVILLE, SC 29601					

Signatures

Roger A. Loney 02/01/2005

**Signature of Person

**Signature of Pate

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) These options are all exercisable.
- (2) These rights are all exercisable.

Reporting Owners 2

Deletionship

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One half of the options are/were exercisable on the noted date and the remaining half are exercisable one year later unless the exercisability is accelerated by the committee administering the Plan.

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