AMERISAFE INC Form 4 May 16, 2006

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * QUAELLY PAUL B

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

AMERISAFE INC [AMSF]

(Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2006

X_ Director X 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

C/O WELSH, CARSON, ANDERSON AND STOWE, 320 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500

(State)

05/15/2006

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

NEW YORK, NY 10022

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Price (D)

Code V Amount

\$0 A 1.222 Α 7,210

 $D_{-}^{(1)}$

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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
QUAELLY PAUL B C/O WELSH, CARSON, ANDERSON AND STOWE 320 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500 NEW YORK, NY 10022	X	X					

Signatures

Jonathan M. Rather, Attorney-in-Fact

05/16/2006

**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).

The Reporting Person also indirectly beneficially owns 7,636,475 shares of Common Stock held by Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe

VII, L.P. The Reporting Person is a general partner of the sole general partner of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VII, L.P. Pursuant to
(1) Instruction 4(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by such entity. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecunciary interest therein, and/or that are not actually distributed to him.

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