FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MELBY COLTON | | | | SN | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORP [SWB] | | | | | | | | | | all app Dired | olicable) ctor | Person(s) to Issu 10% Owr | | wner | |
|--|--|------|-------------------------------|-----------------|--|---|---------|--|---|-------|-----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---------------------|------|------------|
| (Last) 2100 ROO | ` | , | Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/12/2005 | | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) | | Other (sp below) | | |
| (Street) SPRINGFIELD MA 01102-2208 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Indiv Line) X | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - No | n-Deriv | ative | Se | curitie | es Ac | quired | , Dis | posed o | f, o | r Ber | nefic | ially | Owne | ed | | | |
| Date | | | 2. Transa Date (Month/D | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | | 4 and 5) Se | | ount of ities icially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Pric | e | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 08/1 | | | | 08/12 | /2005 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 21,800 | | D | \$5.64 | | 6,7 | 726,952 | D | | |
| Common Stock 08/12 | | | | /2005 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 3,100 | | D | \$ | \$5.65 | | 723,852 | D | | | |
| Common Stock 08/12/2 | | | | | 2005 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 18,300 | | D | \$ | \$5.68 | | 6,705,552 | | | |
| Common Stock 08/12/ | | | | /2005 | 2005 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 5,000 | | D | \$5.69 | | 6,700,552 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock 08/15/2 | | | | 2005 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 25,900 | | D | \$5.7392 | | 6,674,652 | | D | | | | | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative Security Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8 | | 4. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D) (Instrant E | 6. Date Expiration (Month/II) Date Exercise | on Dat | | Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount of Management of Security (Instr. and 4) | | f nstr. 3 mount | Deri Sec (Ins: | rice of vative urity tr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Ins | (D) rect | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares were sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 Sales Plan dated September 30, 2004.

Remarks:

Carol Vesco, as attorney-in-fact 08/15/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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