

NEW PLAN EXCEL REALTY TRUST INC  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 11-K**

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**ý Annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004**

**Or**

**o Transition report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**For the transition period from to**

**Commissions file number 1-12244**

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below.

**New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. Retirement and 401(k) Savings Plan**

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office.

**New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc.**

420 Lexington Avenue

New York, New York 10170

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**NEW PLAN EXCEL REALTY TRUST, INC.  
RETIREMENT AND 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004**

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Board of Trustees

New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc.

Retirement and 401(k) Savings Plan

New York, New York

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. Retirement and 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan ) as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2004, in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) at December 31, 2004, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. This supplemental schedule is the responsibility of the Plan s management. This supplemental information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

**/s/ The Schonbraun McCann Group, L.L.C.**

Roseland, New Jersey

June 1, 2005



## NEW PLAN EXCEL REALTY TRUST, INC.

## RETIREMENT AND 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN

## STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

|   | December 31,  |              |
|---|---------------|--------------|
|   | 2004          | 2003         |
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                     |               |              |
| <b>Investments (Notes 3 and 5)</b>                |               |              |
| AIM Real Estate                                   | \$ 9,875      | \$ 581,755   |
| American Balanced Fund                            | 945,051       | 1,308,233    |
| American Century Equity Income                    | 1,639,673     | 590,116      |
| American Century Small Cap Value                  | 903,135       | 497,969      |
| BlackRock Core Bonds                              | 449,152       | 1,118,460    |
| BlackRock Money Market                            | 1,090,126     | 205,501      |
| Federated Max-Cap Index                           | 350,397       | 138,537      |
| Federated Mid-Cap Index                           | 363,953       | 68,989       |
| Fidelity Advisor Dividend Growth                  | 104,809       |              |
| Fidelity Advisor Diversified International        | 798,707       |              |
| Fidelity Advisor Mid Cap                          | 390,528       | 217,718      |
| Growth Fund of America                            | 729,820       | 413,377      |
| Invesco Technology K                              | 223,995       | 199,455      |
| Janus Advisor Capital Appreciation                | 411,878       | 283,771      |
| Janus Advisor Worldwide                           |               | 452,176      |
| MFS New Discovery                                 | 308,652       | 261,574      |
| New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc.<br>Common Stock | 1,764,056     | 1,439,121    |
| Putnam International Growth                       |               | 84,479       |
| T. Rowe Price Retirement 2010R                    | 4,402         |              |
| T. Rowe Price Retirement 2020R                    | 24,405        |              |
| T. Rowe Price Retirement 2030R                    | 59,926        |              |
| T. Rowe Price Retirement 2040R                    | 1,089         |              |
| Washington Mutual Investors                       | 987,579       | 806,177      |
|   | 11,561,208    | 8,667,408    |
| <b>Cash</b>                                       | 4             |              |
| <b>Receivables</b>                                |               |              |
| Loans to participants                             | 203,953       | 183,881      |
| Contributions receivable:                         |               |              |
| Employee  | 74,335        | 47,652       |
| Employer  | 86,865        | 15,247       |
| <b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>          | \$ 11,926,365 | \$ 8,914,188 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.





**NEW PLAN EXCEL REALTY TRUST, INC.**  
**RETIREMENT AND 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
**AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004**

| <b>ADDITIONS</b>  |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| <b>Earnings on investments</b>                              |                      |
| Gain on Investments (Note 3)                                |                      |
| Realized gain   | \$ 48,782            |
| Unrealized gain   | 729,883              |
| Interest  | 8,669                |
| Dividends (Note 5)  | 417,394              |
|   | 1,204,728            |
| <b>Contributions</b>  |                      |
| Participants  | 1,567,903            |
| Employer s  | 555,647              |
| Rollover contributions                                      | 72,441               |
|   | 2,195,991            |
| <b>Total additions</b>                                      | <b>3,400,719</b>     |
| <b>DEDUCTIONS</b>   |                      |
| <b>Deductions from net assets attributed to</b>             |                      |
| Benefits paid to participants                               | 347,125              |
| Deemed distributions  | 41,417               |
|   | 388,542              |
| <b>Net change in net assets available for benefits</b>      | <b>3,012,177</b>     |
| <b>Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year</b> | <b>8,914,188</b>     |
| <b>Net assets available for benefits, end of year</b>       | <b>\$ 11,926,365</b> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**NEW PLAN EXCEL REALTY TRUST, INC.**

**RETIREMENT AND 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**DECEMBER 31, 2004**

**1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN**

The New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. Retirement and 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan ) became effective August 1, 1989, and was amended on April 1, 2002. The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan s provisions.

**a. General**

The Plan is a participant directed, defined contribution plan, which covers substantially all employees as defined in the Plan agreement of New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. (the Company or the Employer ). Shares of common stock of New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. are among the investment options offered to participants pursuant to the Plan.

**b. Contributions**

Pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k), a participant of the Plan may elect to have up to 15%, or a flat dollar amount of his or her compensation, subject to limitations, contributed to the Plan. The participant s compensation, otherwise payable in cash, is reduced to reflect such election.

The Employer may contribute to the Plan amounts determined by the Employer s Board of Directors, a discretionary matching contribution equal to a uniform percentage of the amount of employee salary reduction.

The Plan also provides for rollover contributions by participants subject to limitations defined in the Plan agreement. Rollover contributions are comprised of contributions by new employees of benefits from other employee benefit plans.

**c. Vesting**

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Participants are immediately vested in their 401(k) voluntary contributions and rollover contributions, plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Employer basic contribution and earnings thereon occurs at the rate of 20% for each year of service, after the first year of service. A participant is 100% vested after five years of credited service.

**d. Termination of Participation**

All participants leaving the Plan are paid on their vested portion, as of their termination date. Any non-vested portions of terminated participants account balances are considered forfeitures.

**e. Forfeitures**

Forfeitures by participants as defined in the Plan document will be used to reduce the Employer's contributions to the Plan. Total forfeitures for 2004 and 2003 amounted to \$49,394 and \$54,000, respectively.

**f. Participant Loans**

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum amount equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance.

The loan must:

- (a) bear a reasonable rate of interest, as determined by the Plan administrator,
- (b) be for a term of no more than five years or, if borrowed to purchase a principal residence, a reasonable period,
- (c) be adequately secured, and
- (d) be repaid in level installments by payroll withholding, at least quarterly.

**g. Payment of Benefits**

On termination of services due to retirement, disability, or hardship a participant will receive a lump-sum amount equal to the vested interest in his or her account. On termination due to death, benefits may be paid in a lump-sum or in installments not extending beyond five years.

**h. Administrative Fees**

Administrative fees incurred by the Plan are paid by the Company.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**a. Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Plan have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as applied to defined contribution plans.

**b. Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**c. Investment Valuation and Income Recognition**

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Shares of registered investment companies are valued at quoted market prices which represent the net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year-end. The Employer's stock (see Note 5) is valued at its quoted market price. Participant notes receivable are valued at cost, which approximates fair value. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

**d. Payment of Benefits**

Benefits are recorded when paid.

**e. Risk and Uncertainties**

The Plan provides for various investment options and participants may invest in any combination of mutual funds and the Employer's stock. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in risks in the near term would materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.



### 3. INVESTMENTS

The following presents investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets at December 31:

|  | 2004       | 2003       |
|--|------------|------------|
| American Balanced Fund                         | \$ 945,051 | \$ 581,755 |
| American Century Equity Income                 | 1,639,673  | 1,308,233  |
| American Century Small Cap Value               | 903,135    | 590,116    |
| BlackRock Core Bonds                           |            | 497,969    |
| BlackRock Money Market                         | 1,090,126  | 1,118,460  |
| Janus Advisor Worldwide                        |            | 452,176    |
| New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. (see Note 5) | 1,764,056  | 1,439,121  |
| Washington Mutual Investors                    | 987,579    | 806,177    |
| Fidelity Advisor Diversified International     | 798,707    |            |
| Growth Fund of America                         | 729,820    |            |

During the year ended December 31, 2004, the investments of the Plan appreciated in fair value as follows:

|                                   | Proceeds     | Aggregate<br>Cost | Realized<br>Gain |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Mutual Fund Investments           | \$ 2,316,315 | \$ 2,271,343      | \$ 44,972        |
| New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. |              |                   |                  |
| Common Stock                      | 667,421      | 663,611           | 3,810            |
|                                   | \$ 2,983,736 | \$ 2,934,954      | \$ 48,782        |

(1) Aggregate cost was determined on an Average Cost basis.

#### Unrealized Appreciation:

|                                   | Value at<br>1/1/04 | Purchases    | Increase   | Value at<br>12/31/04 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|------------|----------------------|
| Mutual fund Investments           | \$ 7,228,287       | \$ 1,999,781 | \$ 569,089 | \$ 9,797,157         |
| New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. |                    |              |            |                      |
| Common Stock                      | 1,439,121          | 164,136      | 160,794    | 1,764,051            |
|                                   | \$ 8,667,408       | \$ 2,163,917 | \$ 729,883 | \$ 11,561,208        |



**4. INCOME TAX STATUS**

An exemption from Federal income taxes under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code has been obtained by virtue of the Plan's qualified status under Section 401(a). The date of the latest Internal Revenue Service determination letter is November 19, 2001.

**5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Plan holds an investment in shares of the Employer. During 2004 and 2003, the Plan received \$98,837 and \$91,087, respectively, in common stock dividends from the Employer.

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES**

## NEW PLAN EXCEL REALTY TRUST, INC.

## RETIREMENT AND 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN

## SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

DECEMBER 31, 2004

| Investment  | Fair<br>Market<br>Value |
|---|-------------------------|
| AIM Real Estate   | \$ 9,875                |
| American Balanced Fund  | 945,051                 |
| American Century Equity Income  | 1,639,673               |
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| Washington Mutual Investors   | 987,579                 |
|   | \$ 11,561,208           |
| Loans to participants with interest rates ranging from 5% to 9.5% per annum | \$ 203,953              |

**SIGNATURES**

The Plan. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. Retirement and  
401(k) Savings Plan**

By: New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc., as Plan  
Administrator

Dated: June 29, 2005

By: /s/ Steven F. Siegel  
Steven F. Siegel  
Authorized Signatory

**EXHIBITS**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description of Exhibit</b>   |
|---------------------------|---|
| 23.1                      | Consent of The Schonbraun McCann Group, L.L.C., Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm |