BROWN FORMAN CORP

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VARGA PAUL C | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA, BFB] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|--|---|---|---|-----------|---|--|--|--|---|
| (Last) 850 DIXIE I | · · · · · · | Middle) | 1 | - | ansaction | | | DirectorX Officer (give below) Presi | | 6 Owner er (specify |
| | | | | endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year) | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Ionth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | (A) or | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Class A Common (1) | 08/11/2005 | | | A | 17,025 | A | \$ 0 | 17,173 | D | |
| Class B Common | | | | | | | | 7,587 | D | |

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)

| 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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Options | \$ 18.06 | | | | | 05/01/1999 | 04/30/2006 | Class B Common | 818 |
| Non-Qualified Option | \$ 24.56 | | | | | 05/01/2000 | 04/30/2007 | Class B Common | 1,882 |
| Non-Qualified Option | \$ 30.63 | | | | | 05/01/2001 | 04/30/2008 | Class B Common | 1,764 |
| Non-Qualified Option | \$ 31.13 | | | | | 05/01/2002 | 04/30/2009 | Class B Common | 5,744 |
| Non-Qualified Option | \$ 50 | | | | | 05/01/2006 | 08/31/2007 | Class B Common | 600 |
| Non-Qualified Option | \$ 25.22 | | | | | 05/01/2003 | 04/30/2010 | Class B Common | 7,578 |
| Non-Qualified Option | \$ 34.17 | | | | | 05/01/2004 | 04/30/2011 | Class B Common | 13,198 |
| Non-Qualified Option | \$ 32.11 | | | | | 05/01/2005 | 04/30/2012 | Class B Common | 13,434 |
| Non-Qualified Options | \$ 39.23 | | | | | 05/01/2006 | 04/30/2013 | Class B Common | 9,416 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| VARGA PAUL C 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY LOUISVILLE 40210 | | | President & CEO BFB | | | | |

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Date

Signatures

Diane M. Barhorst, Atty. in Fact for Paul C. Varga 08/11/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

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- * 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) The reporting person was awarded these shares of restricted stock under the Brown-Forman Omnibus Compensation Plan, based on the Company's fiscal 2005 performance.

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