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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

Person *

A Houston Matthew David

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

06/24/2005

BALCHEM CORP [BCP]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION, Â PO BOX

600

(Street)

10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other

(give title below) (specify below) General Counsel/Secretary

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

NEW HAMPTON, NYÂ 10958

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Conversion Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable Expiration

Date

Title

(Instr. 4)

Amount or Number of

Derivative Derivative Security: Security

Direct (D)

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Shares or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

Incentive Stock Option $01/24/2006\underline{^{(2)}} 01/23/2015$ Common Stock $01/24/2006\underline{^{(2)}} 01/23/2015$ Common Stock $01/24/2006\underline{^{(2)}} 01/23/2015$ D Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Houston Matthew David

C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION PO BOX 600

NEW HAMPTON, NYÂ 10958

Relationships

Other

A Â Â General Counsel/Secretary Â

Signatures

/s/ Matthew D.
Houston

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) The options constitute a sign-on grant upon the reporting person's commencement of employment.
- 20% of the options granted become exercisable on the indicated date (which is the first anniversary of the date of grant). An additional 40% of the options granted become exercisable on the second anniversary of the date of grant, and an additional 40% of the options granted become exercisable on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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