

MICROSTRATEGY INC  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BROWN ERIC F**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**MICROSTRATEGY INC [MSTR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED, 1861 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**10/28/2004**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**President and CFO**

(Street)  
**MCLEAN, VA 22102**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004		M	18,750	A	\$ 4.7	18,750	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004		M	6,250	A	\$ 24.8	25,000	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004		S	300	D	\$ 60.48	24,700 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004		S	300	D	\$	24,400	D

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Common Stock						60.49		
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	1,100	D	\$ 60.5	23,300	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	300	D	\$ 60.51	23,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	150	D	\$ 60.56	22,850	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	300	D	\$ 60.57	22,550	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	100	D	\$ 60.58	22,450	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	100	D	\$ 60.61	22,350	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	900	D	\$ 60.64	21,450	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	800	D	\$ 60.65	20,650	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	550	D	\$ 60.66	20,100	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	200	D	\$ 60.67	19,900	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	100	D	\$ 60.69	19,800	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	1,100	D	\$ 60.73	18,700	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	600	D	\$ 60.75	18,100	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	300	D	\$ 60.77	17,800	D	

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Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	425	D	\$ 60.78	17,375	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	400	D	\$ 60.79	16,975	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	785	D	\$ 60.8	16,190	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	100	D	\$ 60.81	16,090	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	1,600	D	\$ 60.82	14,490	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	200	D	\$ 60.83	14,290	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	300	D	\$ 60.84	13,990	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 60.85	12,990	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	100	D	\$ 60.86	12,890	D
Class A Common Stock	10/28/2004	S	500	D	\$ 60.87	12,390	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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and 5)

	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)					07/26/2004 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/26/2012	Class A Common Stock	18,750
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)					04/18/2004 <sup>(4)</sup>	04/18/2011	Class A Common Stock	6,250

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROWN ERIC F C/O MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED 1861 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22102			President and CFO	

## Signatures

W. Ming Shao, As Attorney-in-Fact 11/01/2004

\*\*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).
  - (1) Separate open market sale transactions that were executed on October 28, 2004 at the same price have been reported on an aggregate basis on a single line in Table I. The order in which sale transactions are set forth in Table I is not necessarily reflective of the sequence in which the sale transactions occurred in fact.
  - (2) The remaining portion of this option vests in two equal annual installments beginning on 07/26/2005 and expires on 07/26/2012.
  - (3) See Exhibit A.
  - (4) The remaining portion of this option vests on 04/18/2005 and expires on 04/18/2011.

### Remarks:

This is the first Form 4 of three Form 4 filings made by the reporting person to report transactions that occurred on October 28, 2004.

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