#### NORTHERN TRUST CORP

Form 4

October 26, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

OMB Number:

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

28,543

52.97

January 31, 2005

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Estimated average

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

10/24/2005

Stock

MCCORMACK ROBERT C

MCCORMACK ROBERT C				Symbol NORTHERN TRUST CORP [NTRS]						(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 50 S. LA SALLE ST.				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/24/2005						X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
	CHICAGO	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/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										cially Owned				
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if Transactic			4. Securion(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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)		
	Common Stock	10/24/2005			S		271	D	\$ 52.93	28,928	I	Spouse		
	Common Stock	10/24/2005			S		131	D	\$ 52.94	28,797	I	Spouse		
	Common Stock	10/24/2005			S		35	D	\$ 52.95	28,762	I	Spouse		
	Common Stock	10/24/2005			S		131	D	\$ 52.96	28,631	I	Spouse		
	Common	10/24/2005			S		88	D	\$	28,543	I	Spouse		

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Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	43	D	\$ 52.98	28,500	I	Spouse
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	72	D	\$ 52.99	28,428	I	Spouse
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	70	D	\$ 53	28,358	I	Spouse
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	70	D	\$ 53.01	28,288	I	Spouse
Common Stock						1,726,252	I	By Trust (2)
Common Stock						117,000	I	By Trust (3)
Common Stock						66,768	I	GRAT
Common Stock						1,494	I	McCormack LLC
Common Stock						1,076,400	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock (4)						5,336.75	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amoun	it of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Securities		(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	nstr. 3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
									A	
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration		Or Number	
						Exercisable	Date	Title Nu	Number	
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				Code V	(A) (D)			2	Shares	

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCCORMACK ROBERT C

50 S. LA SALLE ST. X

CHICAGO, IL 60675

## **Signatures**

Eileen C. Ratzka POA for Robert C. McCormack 10/26/2005

\*\*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) These shares are held in a trust for the benefit of Mr. McCormack's sons. Mr. McCormack is a co-trustee of the trust.
- (2) These shares are held in a trust of which Mr. McCormack is a co-trustee and beneficiary. Mr. McCormack's sons have a remainder interest in the trust.
- (3) These shares are held in a trust for the benefit of Mr. McCormack's sister-in-law. The Mr. McCormack is a co-trustee of the trust.
- (4) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.

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