

WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL LTD
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FORM 4

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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 *
BUTTERS DAVID J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL LTD [WFT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 399 PARK AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/29/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Shares, \$1.00 par value	09/29/2005			A	3,000	A	23,475	D
Common Shares, \$1.00 par value							13,772	I
								By spouse

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, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	09/30/2005		A	34	(3) (3)	Common Shares	34 \$ 69.23
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	09/30/2005		A	68	(3) (3)	Common Shares	68 \$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BUTTERS DAVID J 399 PARK AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	X			

Signatures

Burt M. Martin, by Power of Attorney
10/03/2005

**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) Transaction is a grant of restricted stock and therefore has no price. Shares vest in three equal annual installments beginning on September 29, 2006.
- (2) The phantom stock units convert to common shares on a one-for-one basis.

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- All phantom stock units credited under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") are 100%
(3) vested at all times. Distributions under the Plan are made beginning on a specified date selected by the participant or upon a participant's death or termination of service as a director.

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