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NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC Form 4 October 07, 2005 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading KNEZ DEBRA SMITH Issuer Symbol NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC (Check all applicable) [NMG.B] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Officer (give title ____X___ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O MARK D. BALK. GOULSTON 10/06/2005 Member of Schedule 13D group & STORRS, PC, 400 ATLANTIC **AVENUE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BOSTON, MA 02110 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class B U Common 10/06/2005 126,056 D 0 D 100 Stock Class B see Common 10/06/2005 U 218,179 D 0 I footnotes 100 (1) (2) (3) Stock

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 3 | Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4 | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)4) | 9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owna Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Amour or Title Numbo of Shares | er | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| KNEZ DEBRA SMITH C/O MARK D. BALK, GOULSTON & STORRS, PC 400 ATLANTIC AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02110 | | | | Member of Schedule 13D group | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |

| /s/ Mark D. Balk, Attorney-in-Fact | 10/07/2005 | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | | |

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- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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Reflects the shares disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated May 1, 2005, among The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc., Newton Acquisition, Inc. and Newton Acquisition Merger Sub, Inc. that are held directly and indirectly by the following persons or

(1) entities and indirectly by the reporting person: 39,090 shares owned indirectly as a trustee of the Susan F. Smith Grantor Retained Annuity Trust 5 Years udt dated September 1, 1998 fbo Debra Smith Knez; 28,997 shares owned indirectly as trustee of the Susan F. Smith Grantor Retained Annuity Trust 7 Years udt dated August 10, 1994 fbo Debra Smith Knez;

6,199 shares owned indirectly by Brian J. Knez, husband of the reporting person, as trustee of the Debra and Brian Knez 1988 Childrens Trust fbo Jessica M. Knez; 6,199 shares owned indirectly by Brian J. Knez as trustee of the Debra and Brian Knez 1988 Childrens Trust (2) fbo Andrew P. Knez; 48,208 shares owned indirectly by the reporting person as trustee of the Debra Smith Knez Insurance Trust; 36,594

shares owned indirectly by the reporting person and Brian J. Knez as trustees of the Debra Smith Knez Grantor Retained Annuity Trust; (3) 23,803 shares owned indirectly by Brian J. Knez as trustee of the Debra Smith Knez 1998 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust fbo Jessica M. Knez; 23,802 shares owned indirectly by Brian J. Knez as trustee of the Debra Smith Knez 1998 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust fbo

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Andrew P. Knez and 5,287 shares owned directly by Brian J. Knez. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of 65,290 of these shares and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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