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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 *

HARTHUN ERIC N

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/03/2005

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

PUTNAM MASTER INCOME TRUST [pmt]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

PUTNAM INVESTMENTS, Â ONE POST **OFFICE SQUARE**

(Street)

Director

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

__X__ Officer _X_ Other (give title below) (specify below) Managing Director Putnam LLC / and of its issuer's manager

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON. MAÂ 02109

(City)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

(State)

(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)

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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**

5. 4 Conversion Ownership or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Date **Expiration Title** Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of

Derivative Price of Derivative Security: Security Direct (D)

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Shares or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HARTHUN ERIC N PUTNAM INVESTMENTS ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE BOSTON, MAÂ 02109

 \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} Managing Director Putnam LLC

and of its issuer's manager

Signatures

Eric N. Harthun 03/03/2005

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * 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).

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