

JOHNSON GREGORY E  
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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 \*  
JOHNSON GREGORY E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC  
[BEN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/01/2006

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

C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC., ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY

(Street)

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

SAN MATEO, CA 944031906

(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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock, par value \$.10	02/01/2006		M		27,044 A \$ 31.93	537,522 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock, par value \$.10	02/01/2006		M		85,467 A \$ 36.42	622,989	D
Common Stock, par value \$.10	02/01/2006		S		112,511 D \$ 98.95	510,478	D

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Common Stock, par value \$.10	15,274 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	As a Trustee for Minor Child
Common Stock, par value \$.10	1,368.829 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock, par value \$.10	3,379 <sup>(4)</sup>	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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.93 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/01/2006		M	27,044 <sup>(5)</sup> <sup>(6)</sup>	09/29/2000 09/28/2007	Common Stock, par value \$.10 27,044 <sup>(5)</sup>
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.42 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/01/2006		M	85,467 <sup>(5)</sup> <sup>(7)</sup>	09/28/2001 11/21/2010	Common Stock, par value \$.10 85,467 <sup>(5)</sup>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JOHNSON GREGORY E  
C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.  
ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY  
SAN MATEO, CA 944031906

CEO and  
President

## Signatures

/s/ JOHNSON,  
GREGORY E.

02/03/2006

  \*\*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) Of the amount of securities beneficially owned, 77,363 shares represent unvested awards of restricted stock shares.
- (2) Shares are held by Mr. Johnson as Trustee for Mr. Johnson's minor children. Mr. Johnson disclaims any beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (3) Reporting person holds shares in Franklin Templeton Profit Sharing 401(k) Plan. Information is based on a plan statement as of December 15, 2005.
- (4) Shares are held by a member of Mr. Johnson's immediate family. Mr. Johnson disclaims any beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (5) Reflects adjustment in connection with the special cash dividend paid by Franklin Resources, Inc. on April 15, 2005.
- (6) This report reflects the exercise of options originally granted on November 17, 1999.
- (7) This report reflects the exercise of options originally granted on November 21, 2000.

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