

AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 1)\*

American Tower Corporation  
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(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value  
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(Title of Class of Securities)

029912201  
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(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2005  
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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

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1. Name of Reporting Person  
I.R.S. Identification No. of above Person  
  
Goldman, Sachs & Co.  
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2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group  
  
(a)   
(b)

3. SEC Use Only  
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4. Citizenship or Place of Organization  
  
New York  
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5. Sole Voting Power  
  
Number of 0  
Shares  
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6. Shared Voting Power  
  
Beneficially 14,905,786  
Owned by  
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7. Sole Dispositive Power  
  
Each 0  
Reporting  
Person  
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8. Shared Dispositive Power  
  
With: 14,982,520  
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9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

14,982,520

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

3.6%

12. Type of Reporting Person

BD-PN-IA

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1. Name of Reporting Person  
I.R.S. Identification No. of above Person

The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization

Delaware

5. Sole Voting Power

Number of 0

Shares

6. Shared Voting Power

Beneficially

14,905,786

Owned by



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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.  
If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting persons have ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [X].

Item 10. Certification.  
By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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\* In accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") Release No. 34-39538 (January 12, 1998), this filing reflects the securities beneficially owned by the investment banking division ("IBD") of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, "GSG"). This filing does not reflect securities, if any, beneficially owned by any other operating unit of GSG. IBD disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities beneficially owned by (i) any client accounts with respect to which IBD or its employees have voting or investment discretion, or both and (ii) certain investment entities, of which IBD is the general partner, managing general partner or other manager, to the extent interests in such entities are held by persons other than IBD.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: January 30, 2006

THE GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ Yvette Kosic

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Name: Yvette Kosic  
Title: Attorney-in-fact

GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.

By:/s/ Yvette Kosic

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Name: Yvette Kosic  
Title: Attorney-in-fact

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INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. -----	Exhibit -----
99.1	Power of Attorney, dated November 7th, 2005, relating to Goldman, Sachs & Co.
99.2	Power of Attorney, dated November 7th, 2005, relating to The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

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EXHIBIT (99.1)

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS that GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. (the "Company") does hereby make, constitute and appoint each of Roger S. Begelman, Yvette Kosic, John M. O'Rourke, Felicia J. Rector, Michael T. Seeley, and Stephen Wong, (and any other employee of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. or one of its affiliates designated in writing by one of the attorneys-in-fact), acting individually, its true and lawful attorney, to execute and deliver in its name and on its behalf whether the Company is acting individually or as representative of others, any and all filings required to be made by the Company under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, (as amended, the "Act"), with respect to securities which may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Company under the Act, giving and granting unto each said attorney-in-fact power and authority to act in the premises as fully and to all intents and purposes as the Company might or could do if personally present by one of its authorized signatories, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY shall remain in full force and effect until either revoked in writing by the undersigned or until such time as the person or persons to whom power of attorney has been hereby granted cease(s) to be an employee of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. or one of its affiliates.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly subscribed these presents as of November 7th, 2005.

GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.

By: /s/ Gregory K. Palm  
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GREGORY K. PALM  
Managing Director

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EXHIBIT (99.2)

POWER OF ATTORNEY

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GREGORY K. PALM  
Executive Vice President and General Counsel

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