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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Statement GAFFORD RONALD J

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Chaparral Steel CO [CHAP]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 07/22/2005

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3535 TRAVIS

STREET, Â SUITE 300

(Street)

(Check all applicable) _X__ Director

Officer

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

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

DALLAS, TXÂ 75204

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D)

Ownership (Instr. 5)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

No securities beneficially owned

0

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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)

Title

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of

Ownership (Instr. 5) Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Month/Day/Year)

Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) Security

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect
Exercisable Date Number of (I)
Shares (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GAFFORD RONALD J 3535 TRAVIS STREET

SUITE 300

DALLAS, TXÂ 75204

X Â Â Â

Signatures

/s/ Ronald J. 07/27/2005 Gafford

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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