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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Smith Cecil O Jr			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			FIRST CHARTER CORP /NC/ [FCTR]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) 10200 DAVII	(First) D TAYLOR	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2006	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Group EVP & CIO			
CHARL OTTE	(Street)	2 2272	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
CHARLOTTI	E, NC 2826	2-2513		Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie on Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	d of (D and 5) (A) or))	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)
Common Stock			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	500	D	
Common Stock	08/04/2006	08/09/2006	I	202.164	A	\$ 23.34	228.395	I	401K

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price Derivat Security (Instr. 5
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23.6					<u>(1)</u>	02/28/2015	Common Stock	7,138	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23.66					<u>(1)</u>	03/09/2016	Common Stock	7,400	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Smith Cecil O Jr

10200 DAVID TAYLOR DRIVE CHARLOTTE, NC 28262-2373

Group EVP & CIO

Signatures

Robin S. Leslie, by Power of 08/10/2006 Attorney

**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) Options are exercisable in 5 equal yearly installments beginning one year after grant date.

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