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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MEHRA SANJEEV K Issuer Symbol Nalco Holding CO [NLC] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & 08/01/2006 below) CO., 85 BROAD STREET 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10004

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or any Code (Instru			` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	08/01/2006		S	100	D	\$ 16.93	9,758,271	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4)	
Common Stock	08/02/2006		P	100	A	\$ 17.45	9,758,371	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4)	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Director Other

MEHRA SANJEEV K C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. **85 BROAD STREET** NEW YORK, NY 10004

X

Signatures

/s/ Yvette Kosic. 08/03/2006 Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

The Reporting Person is a managing director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Goldman Sachs is a direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of Nalco Holding Company's (the "Company"), common stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Common Stock") and restricted stock units in excess of his pecuniary interest, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such person is the beneficial owner of, or has any pecuniary interest in, such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.

- The securities reported herein as indirectly purchased and sold were beneficially owned directly by Goldman Sachs Execution Clearing, (2) L.P. ("GSEC"). GSEC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GS Group. Without admitting any legal obligation, Goldman Sachs or an affiliate will remit appropriate profits, if any, to the Company.
- (3) Of the 9,758,371 shares reported herein, 9,752,701 shares are beneficially owned directly by Nalco LLC and GS Capital Partners 2000, L.P. ("GSCP") and reflect the GS Funds' (as defined below) direct and indirect beneficial ownership in the Company based on the shares held by GSCP and on the membership interests in Nalco LLC held by certain investment partnerships and a limited liability company. Affiliates of Goldman Sachs and GS Group are the general partner, managing general partner, managing partner, managing member, manager or investment manager of such investment partnerships, such limited liability company and GSCP (collectively, the "GS Funds"). The membership interests in Nalco LLC are held by the GS Funds (other than GSCP) and affiliates of The Blackstone Group

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L.P. and Apollo Management, L.P., as well as certain members of management of the Company.

GS Group beneficially owns directly 5,670 shares representing restricted stock units granted to GS Group in connection with the Reporting Person's service as a director on the Company's board, pursuant to the Company's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Plan. 2,000 vest on January 1, 2007 and 3,670 vest on January 1, 2008, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.

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