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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RUPPERT RICHARD D MD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

Symbol

PICO HOLDINGS INC /NEW

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[PICO]

(Last)

(City)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

875 PROSPECT STREET, SUITE

(Street)

(State)

(First)

301

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

09/21/2005

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

LA JOLLA, CA 92037-4264

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transaction	4. Securities A or(A) or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 and	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(A)	,	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON	09/21/2005		Code V M	Amount (D) 1,500 A	Price \$ 15	6,298	D	
COMMON	09/21/2005		D	1,500 D	\$ 33.23	6,298	D	

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number iom 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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and
			Code V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS	\$ 15	09/21/2005	M	1,500	07/17/2003	08/08/1988(1)	COMMO

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RUPPERT RICHARD D MD 875 PROSPECT STREET SUITE 301 LA JOLLA, CA 92037-4264	X					

Signatures

Richard D. Ruppert, MD by James F. Mosier per the attached Power of Attorney dated July 2, 2003.

09/23/2005

**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) (1) There is no expiration date.

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