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FORM 4

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

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Form 4 or

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Beshar Peter J

(First) (Middle)

1166 AVENUE OF THE **AMERICAS**

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

MARSH & MCLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. [MMC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

SVP,Gen Counsel, Corp. Sec.

Director

X_ Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

below)

(State) (Zip) (City) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(A) ed of	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 30.505	03/16/2005		A		75,000		<u>(1)</u>	03/15/2015	Common Stock	75,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Beshar Peter J

1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10036 SVP,Gen Counsel, Corp. Sec.

Signatures

William J. White, Attorney-in-fact 03/18/2005

**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) These options vest in four equal annual installments on March 16th 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009.
- (2) Not Applicable

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