

FORTUNE BRANDS INC

Form 4

September 29, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
OMTVEDT CRAIG P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

300 TOWER PARKWAY

(Street)

LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/27/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
below) below)

Sr. VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125 per share				(A) or (D)	45,335	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125 per share				(A) or (D)	2,503 ⁽¹⁾	I	By Fortune Brands, Inc. Retirement Savings Plan Trust

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 82.16	09/27/2005		A ⁽²⁾		85,000		09/27/2006	09/27/2012	Common	85,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
OMTVEDT CRAIG P 300 TOWER PARKWAY LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069	Sr. VP and CFO

Signatures

Mark A. Roche, Attorney-in-Fact for Craig P.
Omtvedt 09/29/2005

__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) The number of shares reported as held by the Fortune Brands, Inc. Retirement Savings Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportional beneficial interest in the common stock held in the Trust as of September 27, 2005.
- (2) Reflects the grant of options, together with related limited rights and tax withholding features under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans. The options vest in three equal installments beginning September 27, 2006.

Remarks:

On September 27, 2005, Mr. Omtvedt received a grant of options to purchase 85,000 shares of the issuer's common stock under the Fortune Brands, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan. The options vest in three equal installments beginning September 27, 2006.

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