WATERS RONALD V

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WATERS RONALD V Issuer Symbol FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 520 LAKE COOK ROAD 04/29/2009 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 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 DEERFIELD, IL 60015 Person

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125	04/29/2009		A <u>(1)</u>	3,000 A \$ 38.76	4,926	D	

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)

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner France / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WATERS RONALD V						
520 LAKE COOK ROAD	X					
DEERFIELD, IL 60015						

Signatures

/s/ Angela M. Pla, Attorney-in-Fact for Ronald V. Waters 05/01/2009

**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) Reflects a grant of stock under the issuer's 2005 Non-Employee Director Stock Plan.

Remarks:

On April 29, 2009, Mr. Waters received a grant of 3,000 shares of the issuer's common stock under the 2005 Non-Employee E Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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