BOWATER INC Form 4 May 12, 2006

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **MONAHAN PIERRE**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

BOWATER INC [BOW]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

05/10/2006

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Applicable Line)

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Person

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

GREENVILLE, SC 29601

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T)

(Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 26.35	05/10/2006(1)		A	9,761	01/01/2008	01/01/2008	Common Stock	9,761
Restricted Stock Shares	(2)	05/10/2006(1)		A	1,720	01/24/2009	01/24/2009	Common Stock	1,720
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	05/10/2006(1)		A	6,640	01/24/2009	05/10/2016	Common Sock	6,640

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MONAHAN PIERRE 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY GREENVILLE, SC 29601

Sr. VP&Pres-CanForest Prod. Div

Signatures

William A. McCormick, Attorney-in-Fact

05/12/2006

**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) Approved by the Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors on January 24, 2006, subject to shareholder approval of the 2006 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan. Shareholders approved the plan on May 10, 2006.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bowater Incorporated common stock.

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