

Freeman Ronald B  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Freeman Ronald B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
INGLES MARKETS INC [IMKTA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2913 US HIGHWAY 70 WEST

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/21/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chief Financial Officer / Profit Sharing Plan Trustee

(Street)  
BLACK MOUNTAIN, NC 28711

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

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

**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) |        |   |                                |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------|---|--------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |        |   |                                |
| Class A Common Stock            | 12/21/2005                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 502   | D  | \$ 15.98                          | 30,176 | I | By Employee Benefit Plan Trust |
| Class A Common Stock            | 12/21/2005                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 300   | D  | \$ 15.99                          | 29,876 | I | By Employee Benefit Plan Trust |
| Class A Common Stock            | 12/21/2005                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 2,100   | D  | \$ 16                             | 27,776 | I | By Employee Benefit            |

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|----------------------------|------------|-------------|-------|---|-------------|--------|---|---|
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/21/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 700   | D | \$<br>16.01 | 27,076 | I | Plan Trust<br>By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/21/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 800   | D | \$<br>16.02 | 26,276 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/21/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 1,900 | D | \$<br>16.03 | 24,376 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/21/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 1,100 | D | \$<br>16.04 | 23,276 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/21/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 998   | D | \$<br>16.05 | 22,278 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 524   | D | \$<br>15.93 | 21,754 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 4,200 | D | \$<br>15.94 | 17,554 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 1,500 | D | \$<br>15.95 | 16,054 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 200   | D | \$<br>15.96 | 15,854 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 300   | D | \$<br>15.97 | 15,554 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 100   | D | \$<br>15.98 | 15,454 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust               |

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|----------------------------|------------|-------------|-------|---|-------------|--------|---|---|
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 900   | D | \$<br>15.99 | 14,554 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 1,500 | D | \$ 16       | 13,054 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 200   | D | \$<br>16.01 | 12,854 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 500   | D | \$<br>16.02 | 12,354 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 400   | D | \$<br>16.03 | 11,954 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 200   | D | \$<br>16.04 | 11,754 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 100   | D | \$<br>16.06 | 11,654 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 400   | D | \$ 16.1     | 11,254 | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 1,776 | D | \$<br>16.11 | 9,478  | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 6,700 | D | \$<br>16.15 | 2,778  | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/22/2005 | <u>J(1)</u> | 500   | D | \$<br>16.16 | 2,278  | I | By<br>Employee<br>Benefit<br>Plan Trust |
|                            |            |             |       |   |             | 1,500  | D |   |

Class A  
Common  
Stock

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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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                         |                             |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other                       |
| Freeman Ronald B<br>2913 US HIGHWAY 70 WEST<br>BLACK MOUNTAIN, NC 28711 | X             |           | Chief Financial Officer | Profit Sharing Plan Trustee |

## Signatures

Ronald Freeman 12/23/2005

\*\*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) The reported transactions constitute sales of Class A Common Stock to meet the liquidity needs of the Ingles Markets Investment/Profit Sharing Plan (the "Plan"). The number of shares reported as sold and as beneficially owned reflect the total number of shares sold or owned by the Plan for the benefit of all Plan participants. The reporting person is a trustee of the Plan. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his or her pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other

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