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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PAPA CHRISTOPHER J | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol POST PROPERTIES INC [PPS] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|----------|----------|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| 4401 NORT PARKWAY | | 0 | (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2005 | Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & Chief Financial Officer | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| ATLANTA, GA 30327-3057 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I. Non Don't d'or Committe A. | | | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | Derivative S | Securi | ties Acqu | iired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) | sposed | of (D) | 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2005 | | M | 10,000 | A | \$ 28.99 | 18,263.64 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2005 | | S | 8,900 (1) | D | \$ 40.7 | 9,363.64 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2005 | | S | 300 (1) | D | \$ 40.9 | 9,063.64 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2005 | | S | 100 (1) | D | \$ 40.91 | 8,963.64 | 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)

| 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) | TransactionDerivative Code Securities | | 6. Date Exercisab 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 | Amour or Number of Shar |
| Common Stock | \$ 28.99 | 12/09/2005 | | M | | 10,000 | 12/01/2004(2) | 12/01/2013 | Common Stock | 10,00 |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAPA CHRISTOPHER J 4401 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY SUITE 800 ATLANTA, GA 30327-3057

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Sherry Cohen, Power of Attorney

12/12/2005

**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).
- Represents shares sold by the reporting person to pay the option exercise price and taxes due in connection with the option exercise. The reporting person is retaining the balance of the shares acquired upon exercise of the option.
- (2) Option vests one-fifth each year over a five year period which began on 12/01/04.

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