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

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(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Blackstone LR Associates (Cayman) IV Ltd.

> (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BLACKSTONE

GROUP,, 345 PARK AVENUE

(Zin)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Celanese CORP [CE]

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

05/15/2006

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ 10% Owner Director _ Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

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

Form filed by One Reporting Person X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative Sec	uritie	s Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficially	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. Securities Acquired (A) or orDisposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Series A			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	05/15/2006		S	20,093,168	D	\$ 21.05	31,074,304	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)
Series A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	05/15/2006		S	1,393,519	D	\$ 21.05	2,155,092	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)

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Series A				
common				See
stock, par value 05/15/2006	S	10 924 556 D	\$ 16,894,946	_I footnotes
value	3	10,924,556 D	21.05	(1) (2) (3)
\$0.0001				<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u> <u>(6)</u>
per share				

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. Transa Code (Instr.	ection 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Unde	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
coporting of the relative	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Blackstone LR Associates (Cayman) IV Ltd. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP, 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X				
Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd 1 C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X				
Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd 2 C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X				

2 Reporting Owners

Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd 3 C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 345 PARK AVENUE

X

X

NEW YORK, NY 10154 PETERSON PETER G

C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP

345 PARK AVE

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SCHWARZMAN STEPHEN A C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 345 PARK AVE NEW YORK, NY 10154

X

Signatures

/s/ Robert L. Friedman (see exhibit 99.1)

05/17/2006

**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).

Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd. 1 ("Cayman 1"), Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd. 2 ("Cayman 2") and Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd. 3 ("Cayman 3") and, collectively with Cayman 1 and Cayman 2, the "Cayman Entities"), respectively own 31,074,304, 2,155,092 and 16,894,946 shares of the Series A common stock reported as beneficially owned in the above table.

- (1) Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) IV L.P. ("BCP IV") owns 100% of Cayman 1, Blackstone Family Investment Partnership (Cayman) IV-A L.P. ("BFIP") and Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) IV-A L.P. ("BCP IV-A") collectively own 100% of Cayman 2. Blackstone Chemical Coinvest Partners (Cayman) L.P. ("BCCP" and, collectively with BCP IV, BFIP and BCP IV-A, the "Blackstone Funds") owns 100% of Cayman 3.
 - Each of the Blackstone Funds may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the shares of Series A common stock held by the Cayman Entitites owned by such Blackstone Funds. Blackstone Management Associates (Cayman) IV L.P. ("BMA") is the general partner of each
- (2) of the Blackstone Funds and, therefore, may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the shares of Series A common stock held by the Cayman Entities. Blackstone LR Associates (Cayman) IV Ltd. ("BLRA") is the general partner of BMA and may, therefore, be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the shares of Series A common stock held by the Cayman Entities.
- (3) Messrs. Peter G. Peterson and Stephen A. Schwarzman are directors and controlling persons of BLRA and, as such, may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of the shares of Series A common stock held by the Cayman Entities.
- (4) Due to the electronic system's limitation of 10 Reporting Persons per joint filing, this statement is being filed in duplicate.
- (5) Information with respect to each of the Reporting Persons is given solely by such Reporting Persons, and no Reporting Person has responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of information supplied by another Reporting Person.

Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) of the Exchange Act, each of the Reporting Persons, other than the Cayman Entities, herein states that this filing shall not be deemed an admission that he or it is the beneficial owner of any of the shares of Series A common stock covered by this Statement. Each of BLRA, BMA, Messrs. Peter G. Peterson and Stephen A. Schwarzman disclaims beneficial ownership of the Series A common stock, except to the extent of its or his pecuniary interest in such shares of Series A common stock.

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