

CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA

Form 4

February 18, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PURYEAR G A IV

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CORRECTIONS CORP OF
AMERICA [CXW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVP, General Counsel

NASHVILLE, TN 37215

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
CXW Common Stock	02/16/2005		A ⁽¹⁾	7,030 A \$ 0 8,030		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. 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Purchase	\$ 39.16	02/16/2005		A ⁽²⁾	18,500	02/16/2006 02/16/2015	CXW Common Stock	18,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
PURYEAR G A IV 10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD NASHVILLE, TN 37215	EVP, General Counsel

Signatures

Todd Mullenger 02/18/2005
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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).
- The 7,030 restricted shares are subject to vesting over a three-year period based upon satisfaction of certain performance criteria for the
- (1) fiscal years ending December 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007. No more than one third of such shares may vest in the first performance period, however, the performance criteria are cumulative for the three-year period.
- (2) The Company granted to reporting person the option to purchase up 18,500 shares of common stock vesting over a three-year period on the anniversary date of the grant in equal increments.
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