

JOHNSON RONALD P
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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 *
JOHNSON RONALD P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP [RIV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2818 UTICA CIRCLE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/08/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Exec Vice President Gaming

(Street)
LAS VEGAS, NV 89146

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Riviera Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share	04/06/2005		J ⁽¹⁾		30,000	A	11
					397,311	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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