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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading GEORGE NICHOLAS G Issuer Symbol Rock-Tenn CO [RKT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title) _ Other (specify 504 THRASHER STREET 05/24/2005 below) EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

NORCROSS, GA 30071

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date		3. T		ties Acquire		6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	on(A) or Disposed of (D)		Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A) or	Reported Transaction(s)	(msu. 4)	(msu. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D) Pric	e (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common Stock	05/24/2005		F	865	D \$ 11.3	80,223	D	

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

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Person

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Securi (Instr.	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				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

GEORGE NICHOLAS G 504 THRASHER STREET NORCROSS, GA 30071

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

Robert B. 05/24/2005 McIntosh

**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).

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