#### SOTHEBYS HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

March 17, 2006

# FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WOODHEAD ROBIN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOTHEBYS HOLDINGS INC [BID]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last)  38500 WOOD AVENUE, SU		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2006	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & CEO Soth. Europe & Asia
BLOOMFIEL	(Street)	⁄II 48304	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) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, 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)
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006		M	60,000		( <u>1</u> )	136,483 (2)	D	
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006		S	12,600	D	\$ 23.76	123,883 (2)	D	
	03/15/2006		M	3,900	D		119,983 (2)	D	

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Class A Limited Voting Common Stock					\$ 23.77		
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	2,800	D	\$ 23.78	117,183 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	1,700	D	\$ 23.79	115,483 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	10,800	D	\$ 23.8	104,683 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	8,200	D	\$ 23.81	96,483 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 23.82	95,383 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	600	D	\$ 23.83	94,783 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	5,300	D	\$ 23.84	89,483 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	2,800	D	\$ 23.85	86,683 <u>(2)</u>	D
	03/15/2006	S	1,100	D		85,583 <u>(2)</u>	D

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Class A Limited Voting Common Stock					\$ 23.86		
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	5,300	D	\$ 23.87	80,283 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	2,300	D	\$ 23.88	77,983 (2)	D
Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	03/15/2006	S	1,500	D	\$ 23.89	76,483 <u>(2)</u>	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Sha
Employee Stock Option-Right to Buy (3)	\$ 11.24	03/15/2006		M	25,000	<u>(4)</u>	09/28/2011	Class A Limited Voting Common Stock	25,00
Employee Stock	\$ 13.69	03/15/2006		M	35,000	(5)	01/30/2007	Class A Limited	35,00

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EVP & CEO Soth. Europe & Asia

Option-Right to Buy  $\frac{(3)}{}$ 

Voting Common Stock

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WOODHEAD ROBIN						
38500 WOODWARD AVENUE	v		EVD 0 CEO C-41 E 0 A-:-			

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SUITE 100 BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304

# **Signatures**

/s/ Robin

Woodhead 03/17/2006

\*\*Signature of Person

\*\*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).
- (1) Not Applicable
- (2) Includes 73,533 shares of unvested restricted stock
- (3) Granted under the Issuer's 1997 Employee Stock Option Plan
- (4) 10,000 stock options became exercisable on the following: 9/28/02, 9/28/03, 9/28/04 and 9/28/05 respectively.
- (5) 35,000 stock options became exercisable on 1/30/03.

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