

GILLETTE CO
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC | | | (Month/Day/Year) | GILLETTE CO [G] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| 1440 KIEWIT PLAZA | | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| (Street) | | | | ___ Director | ___X___ 10% Owner |
| OMAHA,Â NEÂ 68131 | | | | ___ Officer | ___ Other |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | | | | | ___ Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | | | ___X___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock | 100,980,000 | I | See Footnote (1), (2), and (3) below. <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC 1440 KIEWIT PLAZA OMAHA, NE 68131 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |
| OBH INC 1440 KIEWIT PLAZA OMAHA, NE 68131 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |
| BUFFETT WARREN E 1440 KIEWIT PLAZA OMAHA, NE 68131 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |

Signatures

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC. 02/10/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

WARREN E. BUFFETT 02/10/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

OBH, INC. 02/10/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 reported securities are held by the following direct or indirect subsidiaries of OBH, Inc.: National Indemnity Company (60,000,000), Government Employees Insurance Company (4,980,000), National Fire and Marine Insurance Company (6,400,000), Columbia Insurance Company (20,800,000), National Liability & Fire Insurance Company (800,000), Cypress Insurance Company (1,600,000), and Wesco-Financial Insurance Company (6,400,000). OBH, Inc. is a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. ("Berkshire").

(2) Warren E. Buffett, as the controlling stockholder of Berkshire, may be deemed presently to beneficially own, but only to the extent he has a pecuniary interest in, the reported securities.

(3) Each of Berkshire, OBH, Inc., and Mr. Buffett disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except to the extent of its or his pecuniary interest therein.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

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