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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 *
Carucci Richard

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1441 GARDINER LANE
(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40213

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
YUM BRANDS INC [YUM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/26/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr VP Fin/CFO Des.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
				(A)	(D)				
YUM Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 48.935	01/26/2006	01/26/2006	A	62,158	(1)	01/26/2016	Common Stock	62
Phantom Stock	(2)	01/26/2006	01/26/2006	A	3,419.71	(3)	(4)	Common Stock	3,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Carucci Richard 1441 GARDINER LANE LOUISVILLE, KY 40213			Sr VP Fin/CFO Des.	

Signatures

Richard Carucci 01/27/2006
 __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).
- (1) Vesting will occur 25% per year beginning 01/26/2007
- (2) Conversion occurs on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Shares of phantom stock payable on 04/01/2014 and are subject to earlier withdrawal in accordance with the terms of YUM! Brands, Inc. deferred plan.
- (4) The YUM! Brands, Inc. Executive Income Deferral Plan does not have specified expiration dates.

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