

MEEHAN JAMES N

Form 4

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MEEHAN JAMES N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS INC
[BRW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
425 SOUTH BELMONT
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/29/2006

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL 60005

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			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 Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price Derivative Security
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	08/29/2006(2)	A		3.78		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3.78	\$ 14.3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MEEHAN JAMES N 425 SOUTH BELMONT ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL 60005	X

Signatures

/s/ Alexis S. Oster, by Power of Attorney for Reporting Person

08/29/2006

Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Phantom Stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
The transaction date is the date on which the Phantom Stock units were priced under the Bristol West Holdings, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation and Stock Award Plan and were credited to the reporting person's account within the Plan. These Phantom Stock units are from the reinvestment of dividends earned on the Phantom Stock units awarded pursuant to the Plan.
- (2) These Phantom Stock units become payable per the election of the reporting person or upon the reporting person's termination of service as director, subject to certain provisions and conditions as set forth in the Bristol West Holdings, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation and Stock Award Plan.

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