

ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INC.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 EDISON BERNARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INC. [BUD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 220 NORTH FOURTH STREET, THIRD FLOOR, SUITE A
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2004

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

ST. LOUIS, MO 63102-1905

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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(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 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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. Pr |
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Stock Units | (1) | 12/31/2004 | A(2) | | 190 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 190 \$ |
| Phantom Stock Units | (1) | 01/04/2005 | I(3) | | 1,176 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 1,176 \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| EDISON BERNARD A 220 NORTH FOURTH STREET THIRD FLOOR, SUITE A ST. LOUIS, MO 63102-1905 | X | | | Advisory Director |

Signatures

Laura H. Reeves, Attorney-in-Fact for Bernard A.
Edison 01/04/2005

**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) This security converts to Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
Phantom Stock Units acquired pursuant to the Anheuser-Busch Companies Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. Payable in cash triggered by the earliest of the following: (1) the date specified by the reporting person, payable in either a lump sum or equal quarterly installments over a period not to exceed ten (10) years as selected by the reporting person; (2) death, payable in a lump sum; or (3) a Change of Control, payable in a lump sum.
- (3) Transaction reported represents cash settlement of reporting person's phantom stock unit account under the Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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