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	Address of Reporting	g Person * 2. Issu						. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to					
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ole I - Non-	De	rivative Secu	rities	Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned			
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date		3.		Securities Ad		d (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of			
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						(A)		Reported Transaction(s)	(I) (Instr. 4)				
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			Code V		Amount	(D)	Price			See			
Common	12/29/2005		С		4,107,999	А	\$3	14,114,979	Ι	Footnote			
Stock	12/2//2005		Č	(2	2) (3)	11	(3)	1,11,777	-	(1) (4) (5)			

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 2. 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securitie or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Security any Code Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amou Date Expiration Title Numbe Exercisable Date Code V (A) (D) Shares Series A Convertible Common \$ 3 (3) 12/29/2005 С 42,324 03/19/2003 01/22/2010 14,10 Stock (5) Preferred Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SACERDOTE PETER M C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK, NY 10004	Х						
Signatures							
/s/ Roger S. Begelman, Attorney-in-Fact	01/03/2006						
**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).

The Reporting Person is an advisory director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Goldman Sachs is a direct and indirect
 (1) wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein as indirectly owned except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

On December 29, 2005, at the request of Hexcel Corporation (the "Company"), GS Capital Partners 2000, L.P. ("GS Capital"), GS Capital Partners 2000 Offshore, L.P. ("GS Offshore"), GS Capital Partners 2000 GmbH & Co. Beteiligungs KG ("GS Germany"), GS Capital Partners 2000 Employee Fund, L.P. ("GS Employee") and Stone Street Fund 2000, L.P. ("Stone Street" and, together with GS Capital GS Offshore, GS Germany and GS Employee the "Limited Partnerships") converted an aggregate of 42 324 shares of Series A

(2) Capital, GS Offshore, GS Germany and GS Employee, the "Limited Partnerships") converted an aggregate of 42,324 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, without par value (the "Series A Preferred Stock"), of the Company into an aggregate of 14,107,999 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of the Company (the "Conversion"). On December 29, 2005, the Company announced that all holders of its Series A Preferred Stock elected to convert all of their shares of Series A Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock.

The conversion rate of the Series A Preferred Stock is determined using a conversion price of \$3.00 (subject to adjustment in certain
 (3) circumstances as specified in the applicable Certificates of Designations relating to such series of preferred stock). On this basis, each share of Series A Preferred Stock is convertible into a number of shares of Common Stock equal to \$1,000/\$3.00.

(4) Goldman Sachs may be deemed to beneficially own directly and GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 720 shares of Common Stock. GS Group and Goldman Sachs may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 74 shares of Common Stock by reason of the beneficial ownership of such shares by the LXH Entities and the Limited Partnerships, in each case, of which Goldman Sachs or affiliates of Goldman Sachs and GS Group are the general partner, managing general partner, managing partner, managing member,

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member, manager or investment manager.

In addition, GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own 6,186 shares of Common Stock which were granted pursuant to the Hexcel Corporation 2003 Incentive Stock Plan, consisting of 3,093 shares of phantom stock granted to each of the Reporting Person and Sanjeev

- (5) K. Mehra, a managing director of Goldman Sachs, in their capacity as directors of the Company. GS Group and Goldman Sachs may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 14,107,999 shares of Common Stock by reason of the beneficial ownership of such shares by the Limited Partnerships.
- (6) As a result of the Conversion, GS Group and Goldman Sachs no longer beneficially own, either directly or indirectly, any shares of Series A Preferred Stock.

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