FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CH

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Instruction 1(b).

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* WEST RALPH						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RUSH ENTERPRISES INC \TX\ [RUSH]								(Ched	ck all appli Directo	or (give title		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 555 IH 35 SOUTH, SUITE 500						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2005								X	below)			below)	
(Street) NEW BRAUN	•				4. If a	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	tate)	Zip)																
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: ly Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
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Option (right to buy)	\$15.76	03/15/2005			A		7,000		(1)	0:	3/15/2015	Class A Common	7,00	00	\$15.76	7,000		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options may be exercised in increments of 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date beginning on the third anniversary of the grant date.

Remarks:

 $The \ Company \ has \ determined \ that \ this \ individual \ is \ not \ an \ "officer" \ as \ that \ term \ is \ defined \ in \ Rule \ 16a-1(f).$

Steven L. Keller, by power of attorney 03/15/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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