FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			of Section 50(n) of the investment company Act of 1540						
1. Name and Addr			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC [HOV	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
WEINROTH STEPHEN D				X	Director	10% Owner			
					Officer (give title	Other (specify			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		below)	below)			
10 HIGHWAY	35		05/20/2005						
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
RED BANK	NJ	07701		X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person			
,					Form filed by More th	an One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$56.82	05/20/2005		A		4,500		(1)	05/19/2015	Class A Common Stock	4,500	(2)	4,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on May 20, 2006.

2. N/A

Remarks:

<u>Nancy A. Marrazzo</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/24/2005 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).

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