FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SAUERACKER PAUL R					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC [ MTX ]									k all applica Director	ble)	ing Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner		vner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC. 405 LEXINGTON AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2006									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CEO						
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10174 (City) (State) (Zip)							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Se	curities	Acc	quired,	Disp	osed o	f, or	Bene	ficially	Owned						
Date					action 2A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day		Date,	Code (I				cquired ( D) (Instr. :	(A) or 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned For Reported	Form: (D) or		Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount	ınt (A) or Pı		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(1115411 4)		
COMMON STOCK												3,092(1)		I		BY 401(K) PLAN					
	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 Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		ate,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)					mount erivative	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares							
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$53.79	02/22/2006			A		23,100		(3)	0.	2/22/2016		MMON OCK	23,100	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>	229,0	48	D			
DEFERRED STOCK	(2)	02/22/2006			A		15,000		(4)		(4)		MMON OCK	15,000	(2)	43,20	00	D			

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Mr. Saueracker has 3,092 shares of Minerals Technologies Inc. stock under the Company's 401(k) plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of December 31, 2005.
- 2. One-For-One
- 3. The option vests in three annual equal installments beginning on February 22, 2007.
- 4. Deferred stock issued pursuant to the Company's 2001 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Deferred stock vests three years from date of reporting person's receipt of notification.

## Remarks:

<u>s/VICTORIA LUKAUSKAS</u> <u>FOR PAUL R. SAUERACKER</u> <u>02/24/2006</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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