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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * AYER RAMANI			suer Name and Ticker or Trading ol TFORD FINANCIAL VICES GROUP INC/DE [HIG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Mont	e of Earliest Transaction h/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, HARTFORD PLAZA			3/2005	Chairman, President and CEO			
			mendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HARTFOR	D, CT 06115		Form filed by More than One Reporti Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	able I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or l	Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, it any (Month/Day/Year	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Securities O Beneficially F Owned D Following of Reported (I	Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Oirect (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4)		
Restricted Stock Units				25,933.8157 D)		
Restricted Stock				35,300 D)		
Common Stock				16,900 I	By Limited Liability Company		

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Common Stock	08/08/2005	M(2)	84,000	A	\$ 27.1571	276,112	D
Common Stock	08/08/2005	S(2)	84,000	D	\$ 76.6426	192,112	D

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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onDeri Secu Acqu or D (D)	urities uired (A) isposed of er. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 26	08/08/2005		M(2)		74,400	(3)	02/16/2006	Common Stock	74,400
Stock Option	\$ 36.125	08/08/2005		M(2)		9,600	<u>(4)</u>	01/26/2007	Common Stock	9,600
Stock Option	\$ 44.47						<u>(5)</u>	12/17/2007	Common Stock	169,470
Stock Option	\$ 46.315						<u>(6)</u>	02/21/2008	Common Stock	112,140
Stock Option	\$ 45.5						(8)	10/14/2008	Common Stock	114,021
Stock Option	\$ 51						<u>(9)</u>	02/18/2009	Common Stock	165,675
Stock Option	\$ 34						(10)	02/18/2010	Common Stock	408,497
Stock Option	\$ 62.07						(11)	02/23/2011	Common Stock	222,046
Stock Option	\$ 65.85						(12)	02/23/2012	Common Stock	201,556
Stock Option	\$ 37.37						(13)	02/22/2013	Common Stock	171,465
	\$ 65.99						(14)	02/20/2014		96,723

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 Stock
 Common

 Option
 Stock

 Stock
 \$71.27

 Option
 (15) (02/19/2015)
 Common (79,454)

 Stock
 Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

AYER RAMANI THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP HARTFORD PLAZA HARTFORD, CT 06115

Chairman, President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Steven L. Bray, POA for Ramani Ayer by Power of Attorney of Ramani Ayer dated February 19, 2004.

08/09/2005

**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) Shares of common stock held by a Limited Liability Company of which Mr. Ayer and his spouse are the co-managing and sole members.
- Transaction effected pursuant to pre-planned trading plan entered into in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (3) The option became fully exercisable as of February 14, 1999, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The option became fully exercisable as of January 24, 2000, the third anniversary of the grant date.
 - The option became fully exercisable as of March 1, 2001, following the achievement of the following criteria: prior to March 1, 2001,
- (5) the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached (i) \$61.50 for 10 or more consecutive trading days, (ii) \$63.00 for 10 or more consecutive trading days, and (iii) \$65.00 for 10 or more consecutive trading days.
- (6) The option became fully exercisable as of February 19, 2001, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (7) Option held by a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust of which Mr. Ayer is Trustee.
- (8) The option became fully exercisable as of April 15, 1999, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (9) The option became fully exercisable as of August 16, 2000, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (10) The option became fully exercisable as of April 11, 2000, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (11) The option became fully exercisable as of July 27, 2005, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- The option becomes fully exercisable upon the earlier of: (i) February 20, 2009 (seven years from the grant date) and (ii) the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reaches 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (13) The option became fully exerciable as of June 18, 2003, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for 10 consecutive trading days.

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- One-third of the option became exercisable on February 18, 2005, an additional one-third of the option will become exercisable on (14) February 18, 2006 and the remaining one-third of the option will become exercisable on February 18, 2007, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock

 (15) Exchange reaches 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days and (ii) February 17, 2008 (three years from the grant date).

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