

CAPITAL LEASE FUNDING INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Hughes Paul C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CAPITAL LEASE FUNDING INC
 [LSE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 110 MAIDEN LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/24/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, General Counsel, Corp. Sec.

NEW YORK, NY 10005

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/24/2006 | | L | 20,000 (1) A \$ 0 | 30,000 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/17/2006 | | L | 18 (2) A \$ 11.48 | 1,070 | I | By IRA Account |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hughes Paul C 110 MAIDEN LANE NEW YORK, NY 10005 | | | VP, General Counsel, Corp. Sec. | |

Signatures

/s/ Paul C. Hughes
03/24/2006

**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).
- (1) Stock grant under the company's stock plan, which is a Rule 16b-3 plan. 6,500 shares are scheduled to vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 24, 2007, with any unvested portion generally being forfeited if the reporting person terminates his employment with the issuer prior to the vesting date. The remaining 13,500 shares are scheduled to vest through March 24, 2009, if performance criteria determined by the Compensation Committee are met. One-third of the 13,500 shares are available for vesting annually beginning on March 24, 2007, provided that shares which fail to vest will accumulate and not be forfeited but will be available for vesting in subsequent years through March 24, 2009, at which time all unvested shares will be forfeited. All unvested shares will generally be forfeited if the reporting person terminates his employment with the issuer prior to the vesting date. The restricted stock awards have voting and dividend rights until forfeited.
- (2) Represents shares acquired through reinvestment of dividends.

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