

GARTNER INC
Form 4
September 18, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 4 or
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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SILVER LAKE PARTNERS LP

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**2775 SAND HILL ROAD, SUITE
100**

(Street)

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

GARTNER INC [IT]

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

09/15/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____X____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____X____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$0.0005	09/15/2006		S(3)(4)		2,000,000	D (3) (4)	\$ 15.75 (3) (4)
							23,615,128 (5)
							D (1) (2)

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)

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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. 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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				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
SILVER LAKE PARTNERS LP 2775 SAND HILL ROAD SUITE 100 MENLO PARK, CA 94025		X		
SILVER LAKE INVESTORS LP 2775 SAND HILL ROAD, SUITE 100 MENLO PARK, CA 94025		X		
SILVER LAKE TECHNOLOGY INVESTORS LLC 2775 SAND HILL ROAD, SUITE 100 MENLO PARK, CA 94025		X		
Bingle Michael J C/O SILVER LAKE PARTNERS, L.P. 2775 SAND HILL ROAD, SUITE 100 MENLO PARK, CA 94025	X			
JOYCE JOHN R C/O SILVER LAKE PARTNERS, L.P. 2775 SAND HILL ROAD, SUITE 100 MENLO PARK, CA 94025	X			

Signatures

/s/ Alan K. Austin, Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer (Signature of Silver Lake Partners, L.P., as a Reporting Person, by Silver Lake Technology Associates, L.L.C., its general partner) 09/18/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Alan K. Austin, Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer (Signature of Silver Lake Investors, L.P., as a Reporting Person, by Silver Lake Technology Associates, L.L.C., its general partner) 09/18/2006

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__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Alan K. Austin, Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer (Signature of Silver Lake Technology Investors, L.L.C., as a Reporting Person, by Silver Lake Technology Management, L.L.C., its manager)

09/18/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Alan K. Austin, as attorney-in-fact (Signature of Michael J. Bingle, as a Reporting Person)

09/18/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Alan K. Austin, as attorney-in-fact (Signature of John R. Joyce, as a Reporting Person)

09/18/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Owned by Silver Lake Partners, L.P., Silver Lake Investors, L.P., and Silver Lake Technology Investors, L.L.C. (collectively the "Silver Lake Entities"). Silver Lake Technology Associates, L.L.C. is the General Partner of each of Silver Lake Partners, L.P. and Silver Lake Investors, L.P. Silver Lake Technology Management, L.L.C. is the Manager of Silver Lake Technology Investors, L.L.C. Each of Mr.

- (1) Bingle and Mr. Joyce, who are both directors of Gartner, Inc. ("Gartner"), is a Managing Director of each of Silver Lake Technology Associates, L.L.C. and of Silver Lake Technology Management, L.L.C. As such, each of Mr. Bingle and Mr. Joyce could be deemed to have shared voting or dispositive power over these shares. However, each of Mr. Bingle and Mr. Joyce disclaims beneficial ownership in these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

The Silver Lake Entities are members of a Section 13(d) "group" as reflected in a Schedule 13D originally filed on April 15, 2003 with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as amended. The shares of Gartner owned by members of the "group" in the aggregate exceed

(2) 10%. The Silver Lake Entities disclaim a pecuniary interest in the shares held by the other members of the 13(d) "group" and each of Mr. Bingle and Mr. Joyce disclaims beneficial ownership in the shares held by the "group", except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in the Silver Lake Entities.

On September 15, 2006, the Silver Lake Entities entered into a stock purchase agreement with ValueAct Capital Master Fund III, L.P. ("ValueAct"), whereby, subject to the terms and conditions therein, the Silver Lake Entities agreed to sell to ValueAct, and ValueAct agreed to purchase from the Silver Lake Entities, 2,000,000 shares of Common Stock. This transaction has now closed.

- (3) ("ValueAct"), whereby, subject to the terms and conditions therein, the Silver Lake Entities agreed to sell to ValueAct, and ValueAct agreed to purchase from the Silver Lake Entities, 2,000,000 shares of Common Stock. This transaction has now closed.
- (4) The Silver Lake Entities received \$15.75 per share sold to ValueAct. In connection with the sale of the Common Stock, (i) Silver Lake Partners, L.P. sold 1,841,812 shares; (ii) Silver Lake Investors, L.P. sold 52,925 shares; and (iii) Silver Lake Technology Investors, L.L.C. sold 105,263 shares.

- (5) As of the closing of the transactions described herein, the Silver Lake Entities beneficially owned 23,615,128 shares of Common Stock, representing approximately 20.7% of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock of Gartner.

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