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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* <u>WILLE HOWARD E</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC</u> [FDS]		ationship of Reporting (all applicable) Director Officer (give title	y Perso X	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)
(Last) (First) (Middle) FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC. 601 MERRITT 7		()	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2004		below)		below)
(Street) NORWALK	CT	06851	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Form filed by One Form filed by More Person	Report	ting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Der	vative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benef	icially	Owned		

ole 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
FactSet Common Stock								3,600,633	D	

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. Transa Code (8)		of E		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				
FactSet Common Stock	\$56.33	12/22/2004		A		3,000		12/22/2005 ⁽¹⁾	12/22/2014	FactSet Common Stock	3,000	\$0.00	15,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 20 percent of the option grant acquired on December 22, 2004 is exercisable on December 22, on each of the years 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Howard E. Wille

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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