FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HADLEY PHILIP A</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC [| | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | FDS] | | | | | | | | | | X Direct | or | | 10% O | wner | | |
| (Last) | (F | rst) | (Middle) | | \vdash | - | | | | | | | | | | X Office below | r (give title) | | Other (s | specify | | |
| 601 MERRITT 7 | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/23/2005 | | | | | | | | | | CEO & Chairman | | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| NORWALK CT 06851 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Noi | n-Deriva | ative | Se | curiti | ies Ac | :qı | ــــــر بired, | Disp | osed o | of, o | r Bei | neficia | lly Owne | d | | | | 1 | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D | | | | | Execution Date, | | | | 3. Transac Code (II 8) | | | | | | Benefic Owned | ies cially Following | Forr (D) (| n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | 1 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Ì | Code | | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | Transa | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| FactSet Common Stock 12/23. | | | | | /2005 | 2005 | | | | M | | 8,860 |) | A | \$41.0 | 64 99 | 996,347 | | D | | | |
| | | 7 | | Derivat (e.g., p | | | | | | | | | | | | y Owned | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemo Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, 1 | 4. Transaction Code (Instr 8) | | | | 6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year | | | | Amo Secu Unde Deriv | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | e s Illy | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | ct al | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | | ate kercisabl | | xpiration ate | Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | | |
| FactSet Common Stock Options | \$14.9667 | 12/23/2005 | | | М | | | 1,864 | 10 | 0/07/2003 | 3 10 | 0/07/2012 | Com Sto | | 1,864 | \$0 | 396,88 | 36 | D | | | |
| FactSet Common Stock | \$12.9375 | 12/23/2005 | | | М | | | 6,996 | 03 | 3/29/2000 | 03 | 3/29/2009 | | ımon ock | 6,996 | \$0 | 362,89 | 90 | D | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Philip A. Hadley

12/23/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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