

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ALEXANDER STUART</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>3680 VICTORIA STREET N.</u> (Street) <u>SHOREVIEW MN 55126</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DELUXE CORP [DLX]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>V.P., Investor Relations</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/04/2004</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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	05/04/2004		A		342	A	\$0	18,700 ⁽¹⁾	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. 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 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
Common Stock Option	\$42.35	05/04/2004		A		1,665		05/04/2005	05/04/2011	Common Stock	\$0	1,665	35,465 ⁽²⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Includes 244 shares and 245 shares acquired under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on July 31, 2003 and February 2, 2004, respectively.
- Options were granted under the Company's Stock Incentive Plan on 1/26/01 (12,000 shares at \$20.24 per share), 3/14/02 (10,800 shares at \$47.67 per share), 3/10/03 (11,000 shares at \$38.54 per share) and 5/4/04 (1,665 shares at \$42.35 per share). Options have seven year terms. One-third of each option vests and becomes exercisable on each of the three succeeding anniversaries of the date of grant if, subject to certain exceptions, the holder remains in the employ of the Company through the applicable vesting date.

Remarks:

Anthony C. Scarfone as Power of Attorney for Stuart Alexander 05/05/2004

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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