FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address SALIPANTE 1	of Reporting Person [*]		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DELUXE CORP</u> [DLX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
					Director Officer (give title	10% Owner Other (specify			
	(First) EXECUTIVE PARK	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2004		below)	below)			
(Street) WELLESLEY HILLS	МА	02481	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi X	Form filed by One Re	g (Check Applicable Line) porting Person an One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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. Transac Code (li 8)		4. Securities Ac Disposed Of (D			Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/15/2004		J ⁽¹⁾		395	Α	\$39	12,331	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. Transac Code (In 8)		5. Num Derivat Securit Acquir or Disp of (D) (4 and 5	tive ties ed (A) oosed Instr. 3,	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	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock Option	\$24.62							05/06/1998 ⁽²⁾	05/06/2007	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
Common Stock Option	\$44.32							05/07/2003 ⁽²⁾	05/07/2009	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
Common Stock Option	\$44.28							04/29/2004 ⁽²⁾	04/29/2010	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
Common Stock Option	\$42.35							05/04/2005 ⁽²⁾	05/04/2011	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares of Common Stock received in lieu of directors' fees pursuant to the Company's Non-Employee Director Stock and Deferral Plan. These shares are subject to transfer restrictions, which will lapse six months after the date of grant.

2. Options vest in three equal installments on the three succeeding anniversary dates of the date of grant, provided the holder remains a director of the Company. Date entered reflects date on which first installment vests(ed). Remarks:

Anthony C. Scarfone as Power of

Attorney for Robert C. Salipante

** 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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