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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| Gibson Christopher | 2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea 10/01/2004 | ment | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAGRANCES INC [IFF] | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR & FRAGRANCES INC. | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | |
| 521 WEST 57TH STREET | | | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Regional Director Other (specify below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Per | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10019 | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | | t (D) (| 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | 709 | D | | | | | | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise | | 5. Ownership Form: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | | |
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivat Securit | ive | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | | | | |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | (1) | 11/14/2007 | Common Stock | 3,000 | 17.9 | 93 | D | | | | |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | (2) | 05/16/2011 | Common Stock | 7,000 | 27.1 | | D | | | | |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | (3) | 01/28/2012 | Common Stock | 5,000 | 28.77 D | | D | | | | |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | (4) | 05/07/2012 | Common Stock | 7,000 | 32.82 D | | D | | | | |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | (5) | 03/11/2013 | Common Stock | 7,000 | 29.8 | 29.86 D | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Options\ vest\ in\ 3\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ November\ 14,\ 2001.$
- $2.\ Options\ vest\ in\ 3\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ May\ 16,\ 2002.$
- $3.\ Options\ vest\ in\ 3\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ January\ 28,\ 2003.$
- 4. Options vest in 3 equal annual installments beginning May 7, 2003.
- $5.\ Options\ vest\ in\ 3\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ March\ 11,\ 2004.$

Dennis M. Meany, Attorney-in-

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** 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 5 (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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