FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
FERGUSON JOHN D					CXW ]								X Director				10% Ow	ner/			
(Last) (First) (Middle)						-									Officer (give title below)			Other (s below)	pecify		
10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2005										President and CEO					
(Street)							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)					
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)		_										Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day				Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 3, 4 a 8)				and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Follo		es ally Following	6. Ownersh Form: Direc (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership					
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tr		ed ction(s) and 4)			(Instr. 4)			
CXW Common Stock 04/01/2					1/2005	.005		M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$8.7	50,		,340		D				
CXW Common Stock 04/01/2				1/2005	2005		S <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	D	\$38.50	5031 40,		,340		D					
			Table II								posed of, convertib			Own	ed						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	n Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		ı of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secu (Instr	ative rity	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$8.75	04/01/2005			M			10,000	05/22/20	02 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/22/2011	CXW Common Stock	10,000	\$8	75	269,08	38	D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents partial exercise of employee stock option and sale of shares acquired through exercise pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- $2. \ Represents \ partial \ exercise \ of \ employee \ stock \ option \ completely \ vested \ as \ of \ May \ 22, \ 2004.$

## Remarks:

John Ferguson 04/05/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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