FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     BALLARD J GERARD							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CERTEGY INC [ CEY ]									p of Reporting Pe blicable) ctor er (give title		erson(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 11720 AMBER PARK DRIVE SUITE 600						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2004									X Officer (give title Offier (specify below)  V-P - Information Technology				
(Street) ALPHARETTA GA 30004  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/E						ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)						5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or F	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(11150.4)
Common Stock 02/04					4/200	2004			A		4,532	2 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	20,	20,043		D	
Common Stock															157.22			Ι .	By 401(k) Plan
			Table II -								sed of, onvertil				Owned			,	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	I. Fransaction Code (Instr. 3)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E: Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	of Secu Underly Derivat		Title and Amount Securities derlying rivative Security str. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal		expiration vate	Title	or Nu of	nount mber ares					
Employee Stock Option	\$32.55	02/04/2004			A		12,250		(1)	0	2/04/2011	Commo Stock	<sup>1</sup> 12	,250	\$0	12,25	0	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests 25% on the date of grant with the remaining shares vesting in equal installments on 12/31/2004, 12/31/2005, and 12/31/2006.

Marcia R. Glick, as Attorneyin-Fact for J. Gerard Ballard pursuant to a Power of Attorney on File

02/06/2004

\*\* 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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