FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

| STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP |
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| SLATER ROBERT J | | | | | | | FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST INC [FR] | | | | | | | | | c all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) | | 10% C | | Owner (specify |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 311 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE SUITE 4000 | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2005 | | | | | | | | | | | Delov | | | Delow) | |
| (Street) CHICAGO IL 60606 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) 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 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | | Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Code (| Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5) | | ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, | | | 4 and Secui | | cially I Following | Form (D) or | 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 | | Transa | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (|
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share 01/06/ | | | | | | /2005 | | | | | 184(1 |) A | | (2 | ⁽²⁾ 15,54 | | 5,542 | | 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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, y/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | n of Deriva Secur Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) Date Expiratio | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares | | | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares granted under FR's 1997 Stock Incentive Plan. Such shares vest on January 31, 2015
- 2. No figure applicable.

/s/ Robert J. Slater

01/06/2005

** 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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