Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WALKER JAMES					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OFFICE DEPOT INC [ ODP ]							ck all applic Directo Officer	,	10% Ow Other (s	ner
(Last) 2200 OL	`	irst) NTOWN ROAI	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/18/2004							SVP - Finance & Controller			
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(Street) DELRAY BEACH	HI.		33445	4	. If Ame	endment, I	Date o	f Original File	ed (Month/Da	y/Year)	Line	) 【  Form fi	oint/Group Filin led by One Rep led by More tha	orting Persor	.
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			Table II - D					uired, Dis , options,				Owned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispo		of Expirat Derivative (Month Securities Acquired			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option (Right to Buy)	\$17.545	02/18/2004		A		20,000		02/18/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/18/2014	Common Stock	20,000	\$17.545	20,000	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Each option is exercisable with respect to one-third of the shares on each annual anniversary of the date of the grant.

## Remarks:

By: Brian Dan, Attorney-in-Fact for:

02/13/2004

**OWNERSHIP** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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