

RAHILL PAUL F
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RAHILL PAUL F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/05/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
President, Cremation Division

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | (A) or (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | Price | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/05/2008 | | M | | 6,666 | \$ 21.81 | 25,700 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/05/2008 | | M | | 6,667 | \$ 28.58 | 25,700 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/05/2008 | | M | | 2,667 | \$ 36.03 | 25,700 | D |
| Class A Common | 02/05/2008 | | S | | 16,000 | \$ 48.34 | 25,700 | D |

Stock

Class A

Common 02/05/2008 M 0 A \$ 0 12,000 I Spouse
Stock

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

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 21.81 | 02/05/2008 | | M | 6,666 | 12/19/2005 12/19/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 6,666 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 28.58 | 02/05/2008 | | M | 6,667 | 12/15/2006 12/15/2013 | Class A Common Stock | 6,667 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 36.03 | 02/05/2008 | | M | 2,667 | 11/16/2007 11/16/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 2,667 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RAHILL PAUL F | | | President, Cremation Division | |

Signatures

Paul F. Rahill

02/06/2008

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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