AUSTRIAN NEIL R

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **AUSTRIAN NEIL R**

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

Officer (give title

(Middle)

OFFICE DEPOT INC [ODP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

2200 OLD GERMANTOWN

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

03/05/2008

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

ROAD, MAIL CODE: LEGL

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

DELRAY BEACH, FL 33445

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Security

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Other (specify

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion

or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Yea	ear) (Instr. 8)	or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ed of	d of			
			Code V	V (A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.27	03/05/2008	A	44,155		03/05/2009(1)	03/05/2015	Common Stock	44,155

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

AUSTRIAN NEIL R 2200 OLD GERMANTOWN ROAD MAIL CODE: LEGL DELRAY BEACH, FL 33445

X

Signatures

By: Christopher Davies,
Attorney-in-Fact for:

03/07/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Each option is exercisable with respect to one-third of the shares on each annual anniversary of the date of the grant.

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