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FORM 5 **OMB** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Stuart Jesse R Symbol **GENERAL AMERICAN** (Check all applicable) **INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]** (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) Director 10% Owner _ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2006 Vice-President **GENERAL AMERICAN** INVESTORS COMPANY, INC., 450 LEXINGTON AVENUE (SUITE 3300) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) NEW YORK, NYÂ 10017 _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Amount By Thrift Common $J_{\underline{-}}^{(1)}$ Â 12/31/2006 \$ (1) 5,160 Plan Trust 1,615 I Stock Persons who respond to the collection of information Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of **SEC 2270** securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. contained in this form are not required to respond unless (9-02)

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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Titl | le and | 8. Price of |
|--|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| | Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction | Number | Expiration D | ate | Amou | ınt of | Derivative |
| | Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security |
| | (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|--|--|
| reporting 0 met rume / reduces | | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Stuart Jesse R GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC. 450 LEXINGTON AVENUE (SUITE 3300) NEW YORK, NY 10017 | Â | Â | Â Vice-President | Â | | |

Signatures

/s/Jesse R. Stuart 01/24/2007

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) The securities reported herein were acquired on a periodic basis in open market transactions at the then prevailing market prices pursuant to the Issuer's Employees' Thrift Plan. The information is based upon a statement as of 12/31/2006 issued by the Plan Administrator.
- (2) By Issuer's Employees' Thrift Plan Trust. The undersigned disclaims any beneficial interest in these shares.

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