FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* TRULOVE H JOE					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PEOPLES HOLDING CO [PHC]								5. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) X Director			Issuer Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PEOPLES BANK & TRUST CO					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004								Officer below)	(give title	Oth belo	er (specify w)			
209 TROY STREET					4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Ir	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) TUPELO MS 38802-0709				,	(Line	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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			1			3. Transacti Code (Ins 8)	4. Son Dispositr. 5)	A. Securities Acquired (A. Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) Amount (A) or (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		5. Ownership Form: Direct D) or Indirec I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
		l							options	•	,		,	Owneu					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Seci (Instr. 3 and 4)		es J Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owner: Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Inst	Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)		
				C	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	tion	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Phantom Stock	\$33.81 ⁽³⁾	12/31/2004			A		137.55		(1)	(1)		Common Stock	137.55	\$33.81 ⁽²⁾	1,469.52	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The stock units are to be settled 100% in common stock upon the reporting person's retirement or upon approved request for hardship reasons.
- 2. The phantom stock units were accrued under the PHC deferred compensation plan.
- 3. The conversion or exercise price is one for one.

H. Joe Trulove

01/04/2005

** 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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