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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PEOPLES HOLDING CO</u> [PHC]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
Johnson Jack C (Last) (First) (Middle) 3147 SADDLEGAIT COVE				X	Director	10% Owner			
		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Street) GERMANTOWN TN		38138	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person	eporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
		Table I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Ben	eficially	Owned				

Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code (8)		of Deriva Securi Acquin (A) or Dispos of (D)	of Expiration Da Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		Date Exercisable and piration Date onth/Day/Year) Date Onth/Day/Year) Date Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	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)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock	(3)	12/31/2004		Α		68.03		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	68.03	\$33.81 ⁽²⁾	118.46	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.

Jack C. Johnson

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).

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