Instruction 1(b)

FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Form 3	Holaings Repo	ortea.															
Form 4	Transactions I	Reported.	Fil	ed pursuant t or Sectio					urities Excha Company Ad		of 1934						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* JOHNSON STUART				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PEOPLES HOLDING CO [PHC]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PEOPLES BANK & TRUST CO 209 TROY STREET				12/31/20	Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2003 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice Pres. and CFO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) TUPELO MS 38802-0709				_	4. II Amenument, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date		2. Transaction	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		ed, Disposed of, or Benefic 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Dispos Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)						6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			(Month 2dy	(MOHUI/Day/Teal)			Amo	ount	(A) or (D) Price		Issuer's		Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common	Stock											107.68 D					
Common	Stock											1,658.01 I			By 401K Plan		
Common Stock									7,668.533				By ESOP Plan				
		Ta	able II - Deriva (e.g., p	tive Secu outs, calls								y Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Conversion Date Experies (Month/Day/Year) (Nortice of Derivative		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disport of (D	ivative (Month/ curities quired or posed D) str. 3, 4		Exercisable and ion Date Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)						(3)		(3)	Commor Stock	10,500		10,50	00	D		

Explanation of Responses:

(1)

Phantom

Stock

- 1. The conversion or exercise price is one phantom stock unit for one share of the Company's common stock.
- 2. The stock units are to be settled 100% in common stock upon the reporting person's retirement or upon approved request for hardship reasons.
- 3. Equal installments of 33 1/3 of the option shares granted will become exercisable on the completion of one, two, and three years of service measured from the grant date, respectively. The options expire ten (10) years from the grant date. 5,250 options granted on 1-2-02 have a strike price of \$23.47 and 5,250 options granted on 1-2-03 have a strike price of \$28.15.

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Stuart Johnson

Common Stock

(2)

02/17/2004

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** Signature of Reporting Person

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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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