## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CONTIS DAVID J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MACERICH CO [ MAC ]									Check all a	ship of Report applicable) rector ficer (give title	ctor 10% er (give title Oth		ssuer Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) THE MACERICH COMPANY 401 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD #700						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/21/2005									be	low) The Chief	Ope	below rating Off	′
(Street) SANTA MONICA  (City)  (State)  (Street)  (City)  (State)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ine) X Fo					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Date						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ies Acquired (A) o Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			d Secu Bene Owne	ficially ed Following	Forn (D) o	n: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A (C	) or )	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
COMMON STOCK 12/21/2					2005	:005			G		300		A	\$0		4,475			By Children <sup>(1)</sup>
COMMON STOCK 12/29/2					2005	2005			G		125	D \$		\$0		92,309		D <sup>(2)</sup>	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8		4. Transa Code ( 8)		nstr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date Expiration Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		ount nber	8. Price of Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares held by reporting person as custodian for three children. In addition, 600 shares are separately held by his wife. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his wife and children, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.
- 2. 29,000 of such shares are held by The Contis Trust, of which Mr. Contis and his wife are co-trustees.

Madonna R. Shannon for 01/03/2006 **DAVID J. CONTIS** 

\*\* 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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