FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  NYE ERLE						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [ EAT ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) $ \begin{array}{ccc} X & \text{Director} & \text{10\% Owner} \end{array} $				
(Last)	`	rst)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/04/2006										Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
1601 BRYAN ST., 41ST FLOOR  (Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																	
		Tab	le I - Nor	า-Deriง	vative	e Se	curitie	s A	cquire	d, Di	spos	ed o	f, or Be	nefi	cially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Tran- Date (Month				ear)	2A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	Co	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 2) Code (Instr. 5)			4 and Securit Benefic Owned		es ally following	Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
								Cod	le V	Am	ount	(A) o	PI	rice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	Common Stock 01/0		01/0	4/200	/2006			A		4	4,124		1	\$0.00	6,	5,903		D		
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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 I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (I 8)		of		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		te	Amour Securi Underl Deriva		Title and mount of ecurities nderlying erivative Security nstr. 3 and 4)		B. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	tive derivative	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Non- Employee Stock Option Right-to- Buy	\$38.49	01/04/2006			A		7,500		01/04/2	)08 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/04/2	2016	Common Stock	7,5	500	\$38.49	7,500		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Options vest in installments on or after the date shown

## Remarks:

Bryan D. McCrory, Attorneyin-Fact for Erle Nye

01/06/2006

\*\* 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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