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C/O ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940						
Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ECPG] Jane of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/29/2006		tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
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	Table I - N	lon-Derivati	ive Securities A	cquire	ed, C	isposed (of, or E	Beneficia	lly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3	3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.55	55,206	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		845	D	\$14.57	54,361	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.5795	5 53,361	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		5,218	D	\$14.58	48,143	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.582	47,143	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.585	46,143	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		1,133	D	\$14.59	45,010	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		3,200	D	\$14.6	41,810	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.604	40,810	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock		03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.62	39,810	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		

	Table I - Non-Derivative		3.	cu, L				-				
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			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		<u> </u>		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		700	D	\$14.63	39,110	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,400	D	\$14.64	37,710	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		2,793	D	\$14.65	34,917	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		3,001	D	\$14.67	31,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.6726	30,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.6744	29,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.6777	28,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.6794	27,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.6877	26,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		3,000	D	\$14.69	23,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.6998	22,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		s		1,000	D	\$14.7	21,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		1,000	D	\$14.7451	20,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		s		1,000	D	\$14.7848	19,916	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
Common Stock	03/29/2006		S		100	D	\$14.79	19,816	I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transacti Date (Month/Day		if any	emed tion Dat	· /	3. Transa Code (1 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of			Benefic	es ially Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(501 4)	
Common Stock				03/29/20	006				S		100	D	\$14.81	19	,716		I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock				03/29/2	106			S		1,000	D	\$14.82	18	18,716		I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998	
Common Stock			03/29/20	/2006			S		100	D	\$14.85	18	18,616		I	Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998		
		Та	ıble II								posed of, convertib			/ Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execu if any	eemed Ition Date, h/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code 8)		5. Nur of Deriva Secur Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr.	ative rities ired sed	Expiration (Month/Day		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	ove es Form: ally Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.		Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Daniel Murphy, Attorneyin-Fact for Barry R. Barkley

03/30/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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