

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* <u>OMTVEDT CRAIG P</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>520 LAKE COOK ROAD</u> (Street) <u>DEERFIELD IL 60015</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/29/2007</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Senior Vice President & CFO</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125	01/29/2007		A ⁽¹⁾		25,722	A	\$81.58	71,057	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125	01/29/2007		F ⁽²⁾		8,922	D	\$81.58	62,135	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125	01/29/2007		D ⁽³⁾		16,800	D	\$81.58	45,335	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125								2,579 ⁽⁴⁾	I	By Fortune Brands Retirement Savings Plan Trust.

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities 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				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Reflects the approval of the issuance of shares pursuant to a performance award to the undersigned under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(d).

2. Reflects the withholding by the issuer of shares awarded to the undersigned having a fair market value equal to the withholding taxes payable by the undersigned at the time the award vested, such transaction being exempt under Rule 16b-3(e).

3. Under the terms of the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans, the undersigned elected to recive his award in cash and for reporting purposes is deemed to have transferred back to the issuer shares of the issuer's common stock in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(e).

4. The number of shares reported as held by the Fortune Brands, Inc. Retirement Savings Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportional beneficial interest in the common stock held in the Trust as of January 29, 2007.

Remarks:

Mr. Omtvedt earned a performance award equivalent to 25,722 shares of the issuer's common stock for the performance period 2004-2006, pursuant to the isser's Long-Term Incentive Plans. Payment of the performance award was approved on January 29, 2007. The issuer withheld 8,922 of these shares in payment of withholding taxes due as a result of the award. Having significantly exceeded the Company's guidelines for executive stock ownership, Mr. Omtvedt elected to receive the remainder of the award (equivalent to the value of 16,800 shares) in cash. These transactions did not change Mr. Omtvedt's ownership of company stock. Mr. Omtvedt continues to directly own 45,335 shares of the issuer's common stock and options to purchase 417,101 shares of common stock. He also indirectly owns 2,579 shares of the issuer's stock through his participation in the Fortune Brands Retirement Savings Plan.

Mark A. Roche, Attorney-in-Fact for Craig P. Omtvedt

01/31/2007

** 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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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Craig P. Omtvedt, appoint MARK A. ROCHE, SHERRY R. HAYWOOD, ELIZABETH R. LANE and ANGELA M. PLA, to serve as my Attorneys-In-Fact and Agents to exercise the powers and discretions set forth below:

1. To execute on my behalf any and all Securities and Exchange Commission Forms 3, 4 and 5 relating to the disclosure of my beneficial ownership of securities in Fortune Brands, Inc.; and
2. To execute all such other documents or things in my name as the Agents may deem necessary to meet filing requirements of the Securities Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall at all times be binding with respect to all actions taken by the Agent in accordance with the terms of this Power of Attorney. The powers granted by this Power of Attorney shall begin on December 31, 2006 and shall lapse and cease to have any effect on December 31, 2009.

I, Craig P. Omtvedt, have executed this Limited Power of Attorney on this 5th day of December, 2006.

/s/ Craig P. Omtvedt
Craig P. Omtvedt

Subscribed and sworn to me
on this 5th day of December, 2006.

/s/ Katherine M. Budin
Notary Public