FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

| STATEMENT | OF | CHANGES | IN | BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* VA PARTNERS LLC | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GARTNER INC [IT.B] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationsh Check all ap Dire | olicable) | • | . , | Issuer Owner | |
|---|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|---------------|--------------|---|--|---|--|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|------------|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MARITIME PLAZA STE 1400 | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/25/2003 | | | | | | | | Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | | |
| (Street) SAN FRANCI | SCO CA | Α 9 | 94111 | | - 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (St | | Zip) | lan Dani | | | !4! - | - ^- | | - D: | | f D |) fi | ially Over | - al | | | |
| Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y | | ion | n 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | 3. 4. Securiti | | 4. Securities Disposed Of | of, or Benefic s Acquired (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | 5. Amount of | | Form: Direct Indir (D) or Indirect Bene (I) (Instr. 4) Own | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transacti | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (111501.4) |
| Class B C | 3 Common Stock 09/25/2003 P 15,000 A \$11 4,664,846 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ I | | | | | I | see footnote ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Class B Common Stock 09/26/2003 | | | | 003 |)3 | | P | | 18,000 | A | \$10.8 | 4 4,682,8 | 846(1)(2) | | I | see footnote ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | | |
| Class B Common Stock 09/29/20 | | | | 003 |)3 | | | P | | 70,000 | A | \$11.1 | 4,752,846(1) | | | I | see footnote ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | |
| | | Та | ble II | | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | sion Date (Month/Day/Year) Ex | Execut if any | | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exer Expiration C (Month/Day/ | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exerc | cisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. As General Partner and Investment Manager of ValueAct Capital Partners, L.P., ValueAct Capital Partners II, L.P., and ValueAct Capital International, Ltd.
- 2. These securities are also beneficially owned by Jeffrey W. Ubben, George F. Hamel, Jr., and Peter H. Kamin as Managing Members, Principal Owners and Controlling Persons of VA Partners, LLC.

Remarks:

Joint Filer Information Name: ValueAct Capital Partners, L.P. Address: One Maritime Plaza, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94111 Designated Filer: VA Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: ValueAct Capital Partners II, L.P. Address: One Maritime Plaza, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94111 Designated Filer: VA Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: ValueAct Capital International, Ltd. Address: One Maritime Plaza, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94111 Designated Filer: VA Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: George F. Hamel, Jr. Address: One Maritime Plaza, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94111 Designated Filer: VA Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: Peter H. Kamin Address: One Maritime Plaza, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94111 Designated Filer: VA Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003 Name: Partners, L.L.C. Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Gartner Group, Inc. (IT.B) Date of Event Requiring Statement: September 25, 2003

VALUEACT CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P., BY VA PARTNERS, L.L.C., ITS 09/29/2003 **GENERAL PARTNER By: /s/** George F. Hamel, Jr. Managing Member VALUEACT CAPITAL PARTNERS II, L.P., BY VA PARTNERS, L.L.C., ITS 09/29/2003 GENERAL PARTNER By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr. Managing Member **VALUEACT CAPITAL** 09/29/2003 INTERNATIONAL, LTD., BY VA PARTNERS, L.L.C., ITS

INVESTMENT MANAGER
By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr.

Managing Member

VA PARTNERS, L.L.C. By: /s/

George F. Hamel, Jr. Managing 09/29/2003

Member

 By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Ubben
 09/29/2003

 By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr.
 09/29/2003

 By: /s/ Peter H. Kamin
 09/29/2003

 ** 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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 $^{^{\}star}$ If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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