

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LAFOND CHRISTOPHER</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 56 TOP GALLANT ROAD P.O. BOX 10212  (Street) STAMFORD CT 06904-2212  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2003	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GARTNER INC [ IT ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CFO &amp; EVP</b></p>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock Class A	154	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	12/06/2010	Common Stock Class A	5,500	7.9531	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	12/13/2012	Common Stock Class A	20,000	9.05	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	11/28/2011	Common Stock Class A	6,600	9.1	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	04/20/2005	Common Stock Class A	8,000	9.69	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(5)	11/09/2009	Common Stock Class A	7,000	10.313	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(6)	02/15/2012	Common Stock Class A	40,000	11.12	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(7)	08/15/2010	Common Stock Class A	4,500	13.6875	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(8)	09/30/2005	Common Stock Class A	2,000	15.668	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(9)	10/13/2008	Common Stock Class A	3,000	18.601	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(10)	12/15/2008	Common Stock Class A	5,500	19.285	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(11)	02/24/2007	Common Stock Class A	5,000	19.666	D
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(12)	01/28/2009	Common Stock Class A	4,000	22.705	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 12/06/2000.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 12/13/02.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 11/28/01.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 4/20/95.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 11/09/99.
- 25% of this option becomes exercisable commencing one year after the date of grant, 02/15/02. The remaining 75% becomes exercisable monthly in substantially equal amounts over the next 36 months.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 8/15/2000.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing approx. one year after the date of grant, 10/11/95.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 10/13/98.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 12/15/98.
- The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of grant, 02/24/97.
- This option becomes exercisable 6 years from the date of grant, 01/28/99, subject to acceleration of vesting and exercisability upon the achievement of certain financial performance targets determined by the Board in its sole discretion, and which acceleration has not occurred as of the date hereof.

Christopher Lafond 10/05/2003

\*\* 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 5 (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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