FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Addre		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/ [ AMT ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Own  Officer (give title Other (spe								
(Last) 116 HUNTING	(First) TON AVENUE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2006							- X Officer (give title Ott below) bel								
Street) BOSTON MA 02116					endment, Date of C	Original I	Filed (	Month/Day/Yea	6. Indiv Line)	· ·							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		erivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned													
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a. The of Security (instit. 5)			Date (Month/Day/Year)		Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
Class A Commo	M					24,997	A	\$1.55	185,057	D	<del>                                     </del>						
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/2006			M	$\vdash$	25,000	A	\$10.5	210,057	D					
Class A Commo			03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		22,600	D	\$31.25	187,457	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		900	D	\$31.26	186,557	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/2006			S <sup>(1)</sup>		500	D	\$31.27	186,057	D					
Class A Common Stock			03/01/2006			S <sup>(1)</sup>		13,200	D	\$31.3	172,857	D					
Class A Common Stock			03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,500	D	\$31.31	170,357	D					
Class A Common Stock			03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		9,900	D	\$31.32	160,457	D					
Class A Common Stock			03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		400	D	\$31.34	160,057	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		15,600	D	\$31.4	144,457	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		3,000	D	\$31.41	141,457	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		5,400	D	\$31.42	136,057	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		3,700	D	\$31.43	132,357	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		700	D	\$31.44	131,657	D					
Class A Commo	03/01/2006			S <sup>(1)</sup>		9,700	D	\$31.45	121,957	D							
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,100	D	\$31.46	120,857	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		3,200	D	\$31.5	117,657	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		9,600	D	\$31.51	108,057	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		10,800	D	\$31.52	97,257	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		14,683	D	\$31.53	82,574	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		9,400	D	\$31.54	73,174	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		5,900	D	\$31.55	67,274	D					
Class A Common Stock			03/01/2006			S <sup>(1)</sup>		5,700	D	\$31.56	61,574	D					
Class A Common Stock 03/			03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		19,100	D	\$31.57	42,474	D					
Class A Common Stock			03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		7,000	D	\$31.59	35,474	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	\$31.63	35,174	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,100	D	\$31.65	34,074	D					
Class A Commo	n Stock		03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		500	D	\$31.7	33,574	D					
Class A Commo	03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		400	D	\$31.75	33,174	D							
Class A Commo	03/01/	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		500	D	\$31.77	32,674	D							

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	37-19-pareti - De Execution Date (e.g. if any (e.g. (Month/Day/Year))  3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	<del>8)</del> 4.	action	CUNTRIBE ACQU Derivative Schwad ants, Acquired (A) or Disposed of (B) (Institute at a to 5) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (M)str. 3, 4 (D) d 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration		of Securities c) Securities c) கிடிரியிர் O of Securities c) கிடிரியிரியேல் Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Amount Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and Williamber Title of Shares		Brige of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)  8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following of Repositive Securities (Securities) Owned Following Forested Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (P) (Instr. 4) Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$31.5	03/01/2006		Code	v	175,000 (A)	(D)	Date <sub>(2)</sub> Exercisable	03/01/2016 Date	Class A Common "Stock	Amount or 175,000 or sindles	\$0	Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) 175,000	D	
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$1.55	03/01/2006		М			24,997	(3)	11/14/2012	Class A Common Stock	24,997	\$0	25,003	D	
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$10.5	03/01/2006		М			25,000	(4)	11/17/2013	Class A Common Stock	25,000	\$0	50,000	D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 15, 2004.
- 2. This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning March 1, 2007.
- 3. This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning November 14, 2003.
- 4. This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning November 17, 2004.

#### Remarks

This Form 4 is the first of two being filed to report sales of Class A Common Stock on March 1, 2006 by the reporting person. 1 of 2 Forms 4.

/s/ Nathaniel B. Sisitsky, as attorney-in-fact

03/02/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Bradley E. Singer and Nathaniel B. Sisitsky, signing singly and each acting individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney in fact with full power and authority as hereinafter described to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a director of American Tower Corporation (the Company), Form ID, Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder (the Exchange Act);
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to prepare, complete and execute any such Form ID, Form 3, 4, or 5, prepare, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely deliver and file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority;
- (3) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information regarding transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to such attorney in fact and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney in fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney in fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney in fact may approve in such attorney in fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney in fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney in fact, or such attorney in fact's substitute or substitutes, s hall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys in fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming nor relieving, nor is the Company assuming nor relieving, any of the undersigned's

responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

The undersigned acknowledges that neither the Company nor the foregoing attorneys in fact assume (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys in fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 14th day of November, 2005.

/s/ William H. Hess