#### BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

FISHER TODD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS INC [BRW]

(Middle)

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/19/2004

\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

C/O KKR, 9 WEST 57TH STREET -

41ST FLOOR

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Last)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10019

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative Conversion

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** 

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** 

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A)	` /	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	11/19/2004(2)		A	576.04		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	576.04	\$ 1

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FISHER TODD A C/O KKR 9 WEST 57TH STREET - 41ST FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X	X				

## **Signatures**

Richard Kreider, by Power of Attorney for Reporting
Person

11/22/2004

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) Phantom Stock Units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The transaction date is the date on which the units, in accordance with the Bristol West Holdings, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation and Stock Award Plan, were credited to the reporting person's account within such Plan.
- These units of Phantom Stock become payable per the election of the reporting person or upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director, subject to certain provisions and conditions as set forth in the Bristol West Holdings, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation and Stock Award Plan.

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