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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| HAINES TERRY L | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SCHULMAN A INC [SHLM] | S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|----------------|----------|----------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| 3550 WEST | MARKET S | TREET | (Month/Day/Year) 07/18/2005 | X Director 10% Owner Specific title Other (specify below) PRESIDENT and CEO | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) | | |

AKRON, OH 44333

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-l | Derivative | Secur | rities Acquir | ed, Disposed of, | or Beneficially | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|---------|---------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 | ed of (| ` ′ | 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) |
| Common Shares | 07/14/2005 | | M | 15,600 | A | \$ 12.125 | 176,100 | D | |
| Common Shares | 07/14/2005 | | S | 15,600 | D | \$ 18.2004 | 160,500 | D | |

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)

| 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 or 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 12.125 | 07/14/2005 | <u>(1)</u> | M | 15,600 | 08/30/2001 | 08/29/2005 | Common Shares | 15,600 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| FB | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| HAINES TERRY L 3550 WEST MARKET STREET AKRON, OH 44333 | X | | PRESIDENT and CEO | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Laura D. Nemeth as attorney-in-fact 07/18/2005

**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) This field is not applicable.

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