NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GOTSCHALL EDWARD F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL

Symbol

CORP [NEW]

08/15/2006

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

18400 VON KARMAN, SUITE

1000

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

IRVINE,, CA 92612

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non	ı-D	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	ecurities Ownership eneficially Form: wned Direct (D) ollowing or Indirect eported (I) ransaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/15/2006		M		71,709	A	\$ 5	1,146,941	D	
Common Stock	08/15/2006		M		28,291	A	\$ 7.33	1,175,232	D	
Common Stock	08/15/2006		S <u>(1)</u>		100,000	D	\$ 41.69	1,075,232	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2006		G(2) V	V	562	D	\$ 0	1,074,670	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2006		G(3) V	V	562	D	\$ 0	1,074,108	D	

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Common Stock	08/16/2006	G(4) V 562	D	\$ 0	1,073,546	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2006	G(2) V 562	A	\$ 0	1,127	I	By daughter
Common Stock	08/16/2006	G(3) V 562	A	\$ 0	1,127	I	By son
Common Stock	08/16/2006	G(4) V 562	A	\$0	1,127	I	By son <u>(5)</u>
Common Stock					100,000	I	By wife

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)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		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	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5	08/15/2006		M	71,709	<u>(6)</u>	05/24/2007	Common Stock	71,709	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.33	08/15/2006		M	28,291	<u>(6)</u>	05/24/2007	Common Stock	28,291	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GOTSCHALL EDWARD F	X						
18400 VON KARMAN, SUITE 1000							

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Signatures

Jennifer Jewett (Attorney-in-Fact)

08/17/2006

**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 sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 15, 2006.
- This transaction involved a gift of securities by the reporting person to his daughter, who shares the reporting person's household. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his daughter, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of his daughter's shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- This transaction involved a gift of securities by the reporting person to his son, who shares the reporting person's household. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his son, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of his son's shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- This transaction involved a gift of securities by the reporting person to his wife as custodian for the benefit of his son under the California

 Uniform Transfers to Minor Act. The reporting person's wife and son share the reporting person's household. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his wife as custodian for the benefit of his son, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (5) Shares held by the reporting person's wife as custodian for the benefit of his son under the California Uniform Transfers to Minor Act.
- (6) This stock option grant vested as to one-third of the total number of options on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date. The final one-third increment vested on the third anniversary of the grant date and the option is, therefore, currently exercisable.
- (7) This column is not applicable.

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