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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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PUTTEN LEROY VANDER

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ISSUER

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CIK: **1016125** | IRS No.: **650694077** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **7372** Prepackaged software

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person PUTTEN LEROY VANDER			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ULTIMATE SOFTWARE GROUP INC [ULTI]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2006			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		
2000 ULTIMATE WAY (Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
WESTON, FL 33326 (City) (State) (Zip)								

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>		2,449	A	\$1.05	28,563	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>		3,048	A	\$1.13	28,563	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>		1,417	A	\$1.51	28,563	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>		3,411	A	\$1.01	28,563	D	

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 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Director Stock Option	\$5.856	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>A</u>		669		01/03/2011 (L)	04/03/2011	Common Stock	669	\$5.856	669	D	
Director Stock Option	\$1.05	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>		2,449		01/02/2001	01/02/2011	Common Stock	2,449	\$1.05	0	D	

Director Stock Option	\$1.13	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>			3,048	04/02/2001	04/02/2011	Common Stock	3,048	\$1.13	0	D
Director Stock Option	\$1.51	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>			1,417	07/02/2001	07/02/2011	Common Stock	1,417	\$1.51	0	D
Director Stock Option	\$1.01	01/03/2006	01/03/2006	<u>M</u>			3,411	10/01/2001	10/01/2011	Common Stock	3,411	\$1.01	0	D

Explanation of Responses:

- All director stock options are fully vested as of the related grant date. Director stock options are exercisable on the earlier of (a) the fifth anniversary of the grant date, (b) the date the director ceases to be a member of the Company's Board of Directors, and (c) the effective date of a Change in Control (as defined in the "2005 Equity and Incentive Plan" filed as Appendix A to the proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 13, 2005).

Signatures

Felicia Alvaro by Power of Attorney for LeRoy A. Vander Putten

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/05/2006

Date

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

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