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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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ISSUER

PREMIERWEST BANCORP

CIK: **1102287** | IRS No.: **931282171** | State of Incorporation: **OR** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **6199** Finance services

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REPORTING OWNER

DUKE JOHN A

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Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **000-50332** | Film No.: **05792222**

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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 DUKE JOHN A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PREMIERWEST BANCORP [PRWT]			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) 04/28/2005			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		
503 AIRPORT ROAD			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) MEDFORD, OR 97501								
(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	04/28/2005		P		362	A	\$11.75	442,061	I	By Trust
Common Stock	05/02/2005		P		638	A	\$11.75	442,699	I	By Trust
Common Stock								1,531	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)					
Series A Preferred Stock	\$10 ⁽¹⁾						11/17/2006	11/17/2008 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	362,250	4,140	I	By Trust
Stock Option (05/01/	\$6.45						11/01/2003	05/01/2013	Common Stock	2,205	2,205	D	

03) (Right to Buy)														
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$6.4						12/23/2002	06/20/2012	Common Stock	4,961		4,961	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.8						10/01/2004	04/01/2014	Common Stock	2,100		2,100	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$11.05						(3)	03/17/2015	Common Stock	4,000		4,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The conversion price is further subject to downward adjustment for dilutive issuances and the amount listed is the conversion price based on the conversion ratio as of 11/17/03
2. The derivative security converts into shares of common stock upon the fifth anniversary of the sale of the derivative security
3. Vests 50% on the first anniversary and 50% on the second anniversary

Signatures

By: Cliff E. Spencer, as Attorney in Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/02/2005

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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