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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Stanfill John L | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|---|----------|----------|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | (Middle) | COSTAR GROUP INC [CSGP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| C/O COSTA L STREET, | R GROUP, | , , | (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2011 | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP-Sales, Customer Service | | |
| WASHINGT | (Street) | 0005 | 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 | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tabla I. Non Darivativa Saguritias A.a | Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table | erivative | ired, 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/02/2011 | | M | 1,000 | A | \$ 30.06 | 53,074 (1) | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/02/2011 | | M | 4,804 | A | \$ 39.53 | 57,878 <u>(2)</u> | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/02/2011 | | M | 5,198 | A | \$ 25 | 63,076 <u>(3)</u> | D | |

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| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/02/2011 | S | 5,804 | D | \$ 68.3 | 57,272 <u>(4)</u> | D |
|---|------------|---|-------|---|--------------------|-------------------|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/02/2011 | S | 5,198 | D | \$ 68.17 (5) | 52,074 (6) | 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | ransaction Derivative 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 |
| Option to Acquire Common Stock | \$ 30.06 | 05/02/2011 | | M | 1 | ,000 | <u>(7)</u> | 09/03/2013 | Common Stock | 1,000 |
| Option to Acquire Common Stock | \$ 39.53 | 05/02/2011 | | M | 4 | 1,804 | (8) | 05/04/2014 | Common Stock | 4,804 |
| Option to Acquire Common Stock | \$ 25 | 05/02/2011 | | M | 5 | 5,198 | <u>(9)</u> | 03/01/2019 | Common Stock | 5,198 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

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Stanfill John L C/O COSTAR GROUP, INC. 1331 L STREET, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20005

Sr. VP-Sales, Customer Service

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan Coleman, Attorney-in-Fact

05/03/2011

**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) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 7,390 shares of Common Stock and 45,684 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (2) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 12,194 shares of Common Stock and 45,684 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (3) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 17,392 shares of Common Stock and 45,684 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (4) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 11,588 shares of Common Stock and 45,684 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (5) Average based on sales prices ranging from \$68.10 to \$68.25.
- (6) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 6,390 shares of Common Stock and 45,684 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (7) The option vested in four equal installments on September 4, 2004, September 4, 2005, September 4, 2006, and September 4, 2007.
- (8) The option vested in four equal installments on May 5, 2005, May 5, 2006, May 5, 2007 and May 5, 2008.
- (9) The option vests in three equal installments on March 2, 2010, March 2, 2011, and March 2, 2012.

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