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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Stratford Patricia

Symbol CITADEL BROADCASTING (Check all applicable) CORP [CDL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O CITADEL BROADCASTING 03/16/2006 Acting Chief Financial Officer

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

CORPORATION, 767 FIFTH **AVENUE, 44TH FLOOR**

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Form: Beneficial (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) Performance 03/16/2006 Α 50,000 (1) 50,000 (2) D Shares

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Stratford Patricia C/O CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION 767 FIFTH AVENUE, 44TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10153

Acting Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Patricia 03/20/2006 Stratford

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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).

Consists of 50,000 shares of performance-vesting stock which vest and become freely transferable common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock") of Citadel Broadcasting Corporation (the ?Company?) in one-half installments annually, beginning on March

- (1) 16, 2007, subject to Ms. Stratford?s continuous employment with the Company through the applicable vesting date and the Company?s attainment of certain performance objectives. The grant of performance shares is effective March 16, 2006, subject to shareholder approval of the utilization of certain performance objectives under the Company?s Amended and Restated 2002 Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (2) Ms. Stratford is also the direct beneficial owner of 5,000 shares of Common Stock.

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