

LYDALL INC /DE/  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Â ATWELL IAN			(Month/Day/Year)	LYDALL INC /DE/ [LDL]
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/21/2005	
C/O LYDALL, INC.,Â ONE COLONIAL ROAD				4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Street)				5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
MANCHESTER,Â CTÂ 06045-0151				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

(Check all applicable)

<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(give title below) (specify below)		<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
Director of Internal Audit		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock (401k)	138.5193 (2)	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Option to Buy	10/22/2004	10/21/2013	Common Stock	1,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 11.46	D	Â
Option to Buy	12/08/2005	12/07/2014	Common Stock	1,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 11.08	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ATWELL IAN C/O LYDALL, INC. ONE COLONIAL ROAD MANCHESTER, CT 06045-0151	Â	Â	Â Director of Internal Audit	Â

## Signatures

David A. Jacoboski, attorney-in-fact for Ian Atwell 07/29/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Employee Stock Option granted under the Lydall 2003 Stock Incentive Compensation Plan. Option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning one year from initial grant date.
- (2) The reporting person has acquired 138.5193 shares through the Company's 401(k) Plan as of 7/21/2005.

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