COUSINS PROPERTIES INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MURPHY JOEL T Issuer Symbol **COUSINS PROPERTIES INC** (Check all applicable) [CUZ] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 2500 WINDY RIDGE 02/08/2007 **SVP-President Retail Division** PARKWAY, SUITE 1600 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ATLANTA, GA 30339 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) **Following** or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or

Code V Amount

M

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58.591

58,591

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

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

104,618 (1)

46,027 (1)

 $5,497 \frac{(2)}{2}$

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In

self-directed

account

Price

\$ 13.98

39.0211

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 13.98 | 02/08/2007 | | M | 58,591 | 11/25/1998(3) | 11/25/2007 | Common Stock | 58,591 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MURPHY JOEL T 2500 WINDY RIDGE PARKWAY SUITE 1600 ATLANTA, GA 30339

SVP-President Retail Division

Signatures

Joel T. Murphy 02/09/2007

**Signature of 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).

On September 16, 2003, November 19, 2004, and November 25, 2006 the number of options beneficially owned and the corresponding exercise prices were adjusted due to the payment of a special dividend. The number of options outstanding increased by approximately 7.4% and the exercise price decreased by approximately 6.9% for the September 16, 2003 special dividend. The number of options outstanding increased by approximately 22.24% and the exercise price decreased by approximately 18.19% for the November 19, 2004 special dividend. The number of options outstanding increased by approximately 9.87% and the exercise price decreased by approximately 8.98% for the November 25, 2006 special dividend.

- These options were granted under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 1995 Incentive Stock Plan. These options will vest 20% per year on the anniversary of the grant date, with shares being 100% vested in year 5 of the grant term. The Plan under which these options were granted complies with Rule 16b-3 and provides for tax withholding.
- (2) Represents the shares held in the Company's Profit Sharing Plan in a self-directed account.

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Includes 11,408 shares of restricted stock awarded under the CPI 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These shares will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, and CPI will hold these shares until such shares become vested. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

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