Section 16. obligations

Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>REICHENBACH ROBERT</u>             |  |            |          |                                      | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LIFETIME BRANDS, INC [ LCUT ] |   |   |                     |       |                     |  |                                       | Check   | all applic<br>Directo | ,   |   | son(s) to Iss<br>10% Ov<br>Other (s | /ner |  |
|--|--|------------|----------|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------|-------|---------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|------|--|
|  | ETIME BR   | ANDS, INC  | (Middle) |                                      | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2006               |   |   |                     |       |                     |  |                                       | X   | below)                |   | vre D   | iv, Exec V                          | ·    |  |
| ONE MERRICK AVE  |  |            |          |                                      |   | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |                     |       |                     |  |                                       | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable |                       |   |   |                                     |      |  |
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|  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |            |          |                                      |   |   |   |                     |       |                     |  |                                       |   |                       |   |   |                                     |      |  |
| Date   |  |            |          | . Transactio<br>Pate<br>Month/Day/`  | Execution Date,   |   | Code (Ir<br>8)  |                     |       | tr. 3, 4 a          | r 5. Amou<br>Securitie<br>Benefici<br>Owned I<br>Reporte |                                       | es Form (D) (Following d tion(s)                      |                       | : Direct<br>r Indirect<br>str. 4)                                 | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                                     |      |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |            |          |                                      |   |   |   |                     |       |                     |  |                                       |   |                       |   |   |                                     |      |  |
| Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any |  |            | Code     | ransaction of ode (Instr. Derivative |   |   | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4) |                     |       | ies<br>g<br>Securit | Derivativ<br>Security<br>urity (Instr. 5)                |                                       |   |                       | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)                             |                                     |      |  |
|  |  |            |          | Code                                 | v   | (A)   | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable |       | Expiration<br>Date  | Title  | Amour<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares | er  |                       |   |   |                                     |      |  |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(right to                                       | \$29.96  | 05/02/2006 |          | A                                    |   | 25,000  |   | (1)                 | 0     | 05/02/2016          | Common<br>Stock  | 25,00                                 | 0   | (2)                   | 25,000  | 0   | D                                   |      |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The options vest 20 percent per year over five years.
- 2. Field intentionally left blank in accordance with the instructions to Form 4.

Robert Reichenbach

05/04/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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