

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DANHAKL JOHN G</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1111 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD</u> <u>SUITE 2000</u> (Street) <u>LOS ANGELES CA</u> <u>90025</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BIG 5 SPORTING GOODS CORP [BGFV]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/18/2003</u> | |
| | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 12/18/2003 | | S | | 780,000 | D | \$18.12 | 191,073 ⁽¹⁾ | I ⁽¹⁾ | By Green Equity Investors, L.P. |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | | | | | | | | 12,344 | D | |

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 Derivative 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 of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Green Equity Investors, L.P. ("GEI") is the direct owner of 191,073 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share of the Issuer (the "Shares"). Leonard Green & Partners, L.P. ("LGP") is the management company of GEI. John G. Danhagl is a director of the Issuer and a managing partner of LGP. Mr. Danhagl directly (whether through ownership or position) or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, may be deemed for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, to be the indirect beneficial owner of the Shares owned by GEI. Mr. Danhagl disclaims beneficial ownership of the Shares owned by GEI, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Danhagl is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

John G. Danhagl

12/18/2003

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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