## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* THORNTON WILLIAM R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MGP INGREDIENTS INC [MGPI]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1300 MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 130			3. Date of Earliest 12/06/2006	Transactio	on (Mo	onth/Day/	Year)		X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Vice President				
(Street) ATCHISON, KS 66002			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)			Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu					Acqui	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Da	Transaction ate fonth/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	f Code (Instr. 8)		on 4. Securities Acqu (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	Beneficia	ally Owned Following Transaction(s)		Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price				or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12	2/06/2006		A		5,500	A	(1)	25,160			D	
		(	e.g., puts, calls, wa		tions,	converti	ble secu	rities)					
. Title of 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed		e.g., puts, calls, wa 4. te, if Transaction Code	and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Am Und Sect			7. Ti Amo Under Secu (Inst	Title and ount of derlying urities etr. 3 and Security (Instr. 5)  8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)  9. Number Derivative Securities Heneficia Owned Following Reported Transaction		Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect on(s) (I)	Benefic Owners (Instr. 4		
				of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					Amount	-	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exerc		Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares				
Reporting O	wners												

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
THORNTON WILLIAM R 1300 MAIN STREET P.O. BOX 130 ATCHISON, KS 66002			Vice President					

## **Signatures**

William R. Thornton	12/08/2006
**Signature of Reporting 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).
- (1) This is a stock award, therefore, there is no reportable price.

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