

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Ruffle, John F.
 c/o The Wackenhut Corporation
 4200 Wackenhut Drive #100
 Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410-4243
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Wackenhut Corrections Corporation
 WHC
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
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4. Statement for Month/Year
 May, 1999
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 (X) Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) () Other
 (specify below)
 Director
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Amount	A/D	Price			
Common Stock						2,500	D	

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Number of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Phantom Common Stock Units (1)	19.3125	5/6/99	A	258.90	A	Common Stock	258.90	1,952.59	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to buy)	16.875				4.24.97	4/23/07	Common Stock	1,000	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to buy)	26.125				4/23/98	4/22/08	Common Stock	2,000	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to buy)	18.3750	5/6/99	A	2,000	5/6/99	5/5/09	Common Stock	2,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Note:
 (1) Adjustments for stock splits or dividends made at time of payment.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 /S/ John F. Ruffle BY F. E. Finizia as Attorney-in-Fact
 DATE
 6/2/99