

FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
STEIN LAURA	1/18/2005	CLOROX CO /DE/ [CLX]
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1221 BROADWAY	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Sr. VP - General Counsel /	
(Street) OAKLAND, CA 946121888	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(City) (State) (Zip)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	3283	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (Right to Buy) - 05 AH	1/18/2009 (1)	1/18/2015	Common Stock	30000.00	\$58.55	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Option exercisable in 4 equal installments - 1/4 on each of first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEIN LAURA				

1221 BROADWAY
OAKLAND, CA 946121888

Sr. VP - General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Stein, Laura

1/28/2005

** 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 5(b)(v).

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January 25, 2005

Securities and Exchange Commission

450 – Fifth Street – N.W.

Washington, DC 20549

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter authorizes the following representatives of The Clorox Company, acting singly, to execute and file with you on my behalf future Forms 3, 4 and 5 respecting my holdings of equity securities of The Clorox Company:

Pamela Fletcher, Vice President - Secretary

Robin A. Stoner, Senior Paralegal II

Thomas W. Huckaby, Assistant Secretary

Very truly yours,

/s/ LAURA STEIN