

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DAWSON WILLIAM J</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MCGRATH RENTCORP [MGRCL]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/28/2004</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
5700 LAS POSITAS ROAD			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <u>LIVERMORE CA 94551</u>								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								2,000	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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Director Option to Buy	\$44.6	12/28/2004		A			8,000	12/28/2005	12/28/2014	Common Stock	8,000	\$0	8,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Randle F. Rose for William J. Dawson 12/29/2004

** 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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SPECIFIC POWER OF ATTORNEY

For the Purpose of Filing Forms 3, 4 and 5 with the Securities and Exchange Commission

I, William J. Dawson, Director of McGRATH RENTCORP, a California Corporation, do hereby constitute and appoint Randle F. Rose and David M. Whitney, and each
To sign and file with the Securities and Exchange Commission any and all Form 3, Form 4 or Form 5 filings regarding my initial holdings, the purchase
This instrument is to be construed and interpreted as a specific and not a general power of attorney. The enumeration of specific items, acts, right
The rights, powers, and authority of said attorneys in fact to exercise the specific rights and powers herein granted shall commence and be in full f

DATED: August 28, 2003.

BY:_/s/ William J. Dawson