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Form 4
December 26, 2002

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Thornton,	John	L.
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
c/o Goldman, Sachs & Co.		
85 Broad Street		
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	(Street)	
New York,	New York	10004
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ford Motor Company
(F)

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3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)

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4. Statement for Month/Day/Year

December 20, 2002

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5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

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6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> [X]	Director	<input type="checkbox"/> []	10% Owner
<input type="checkbox"/> []	Officer (give title below)	<input type="checkbox"/> []	Other (specify below)

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7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

[X] Form filed by One Reporting Person

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[] Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Date, if any (Month/ Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock							
Common Stock	12/20/02		P		1,300	A	\$9.84
Common Stock	12/20/02		S		1,300	D	\$9.91

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).

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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. Con- ver- sion or Exer- cise Price of Der- iva- tive Secu- rity	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3A. De- emed Exe- cu- tion Date (MM/ DD/ YY)	4. Instr (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Ford Stock								

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Units		02							02		02		Common Stock		26,863

Ford Stock															
Equivalents		03							03		03		Common Stock		2,797
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Explanation of Responses:

01: The Reporting Person is a Director, President and Co-Chief Operating Officer of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). Goldman Sachs International ("GSI") is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of GS Group. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein as indirectly owned except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

The securities reported herein as indirectly purchased and sold were purchased and sold and were beneficially owned directly by GSI. Without admitting any legal obligation, GSI or an affiliate will remit appropriate profits to the Company.

02: These Ford Stock Units were acquired under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. In general, these Ford Stock Units will be converted and distributed to the Reporting Person, without payment, in cash, on January 10th of the year following termination of Board service, based upon the then current market value of a share of Common Stock.

03: These Ford Stock Equivalents were acquired under the Company's Restricted Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors without payment by the Reporting Person. In general, approximately 20% of the initial grant of 3,496 Ford Stock Equivalents will be converted and distributed to the Reporting Person, without payment, in shares of Common Stock on June 1 of the 5 years commencing 6/1/2002.

By: s/ Edward T. Joel

December 24, 2002

 **Signature of Reporting Person
 Attorney-in-fact

 Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedures.

Alternatively, this Form is permitted to be submitted to the Commission in electronic format at the option of the reporting person pursuant to Rule 101(b)(4) of Regulation S-T.

