

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DOWN S LINDA S</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>220 S RIDGEWOOD AVE</u> (Street) <u>DAYTONA BEACH FL 32114</u> (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BROWN &amp; BROWN INC [ BRO ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Vice President</u>		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/27/2008</u>					
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 (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, \$.10 par value	02/27/2008		A		43,290	A	\$0	266,650	I	Stock Performance Plan <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								369,207	D	
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								38,443	I	401(k) Plan <sup>(2)</sup>

**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	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options <sup>(3)</sup>	\$4.836							04/21/2004	04/20/2010	Common Stock	20,680		20,680	D	
Stock Options <sup>(3)</sup>	\$4.836							04/21/2005	04/20/2010	Common Stock	20,680		20,680	D	
Stock Options <sup>(3)</sup>	\$4.836							04/21/2006	04/20/2010	Common Stock	20,680		20,680	D	
Stock Options <sup>(3)</sup>	\$15.78							03/23/2013	03/24/2013	Common Stock	108,226		108,226	D	
Stock Options <sup>(3)</sup>	\$18.48	02/27/2008		A		110,000		11/26/2017	02/26/2018	Common Stock	110,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	\$18.48	110,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- These securities were granted pursuant to the Company's Stock Performance Plan. Based on the satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to that Plan, the reporting person has voting rights and dividend entitlements with respect to a portion of these shares, but full ownership will not vest until the satisfaction of additional conditions.
- Based upon information supplied as of 2/26/08 by the Plan's recordkeeper. Number of shares varies periodically based on contributions to plan.
- Granted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Company's 2000 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "Plan").
- These options vest and become exercisable on 11/26/17 unless accelerated based on satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan.

LINDA S DOWNS 02/28/2008  
 \*\* 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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