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| obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). | Filed | pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | | hours per response | <u> </u> |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Murphy Dennis</u> | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COOPER COMPANIES INC</u> [COO] | 5. Relationship of R (Check all applicabl | e) | · |
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| <u>Murphy Denr</u> | <u>iis</u> | | <u>COOPER COMPANIES INC</u> [COO] | ľ | Director Officer (give title | 10% Owner Other (specify |
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| (Last) 6140 STONERII SUITE 590 | (First) DGE MALL I | (Middle) ROAD | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2008 | | below) President Amer | below) |
| (Street) PLEASANTON | СА | 94588 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) X | idual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person | porting Person |
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (| | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1150.4) | |

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. Transa Code (8) | | of | | 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) |
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| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$13.21 | 12/10/2008 | | A | | 8,250 | | (1) | 12/09/2018 | Common Stock | 8,250 | \$0 | 8,250 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$13.1 | 12/11/2008 | | A | | 33,000 | | (2) | 12/10/2018 | Common Stock | 33,000 | \$0 | 33,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. 12/10/08 NQ Grant: The options will vest in equal increments over four years measured from the date of grant as follows: 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/09; 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/10; 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/11; and 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/12.

2. 12/11/08 NQ Grant: The options will vest in equal increments over five years measured from the date of grant as follows: 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/09; 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/10;; 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/11; 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/12; and 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/13.

/s/ Dennis Murphy

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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