FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KAUFMAN CAROL R</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COOPER COMPANIES INC [ COO ]								eck all app Direc	icable) or	ng Pers	rson(s) to Issuer	
(Last) 6140 ST	`	irst) E MALL DR., S	(Middle) UITE 590		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2004								^ below	Officer (give title below)  Secretary,		Other (s below)	specify
(Street) PLEASANTON CA 94588 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2004						Lin	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	le I - Non-D	erivativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, [	Disp	osed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transac Code (Ir	tion	4. Securi	Securities Acquired (A) sposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,		5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned	unt of es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code	v	Amount			Reporte Transa (Instr. 3	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock												12,666			D		
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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/Yea	Code				6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			d 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$68.66	10/26/2004	10/26/2004	A		35,500		(1)	10	0/25/2014	Common Stock	35,500	\$68.66	35,50	0	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests if the Company's stock price achieves certain targets within specified timeframes as follows: one-fourth shall vest if Fair Market Value of the Company's stock achieves \$76.90, but not earlier than 5/2/05; one-fourth shall vest if Fair Market Value of the Company's stock achieves \$82.39, but not earlier than 5/1/06; one-fourth shall vest if the Fair Market Value of the Company's stock achieves \$89.26 but not earlier than 5/1/07; and one-fourth shall vest if the Fair Market Value of the Company's stock achieves \$96.12 but not earlier than 5/1/08. All options not otherwise vesting pursuant to the above timetable shall become exercisable on October 25, 2009.

Carol R. Kaufman, Sharyl Proscia, or Wendy Stark

11/30/2004

\*\* 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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