FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FRYLING GREGORY A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COOPER COMPANIES INC [ COO ]								eck all appli Directo V Officer	all applicable)  Director  Officer (give title		Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6140 STONERIDGE MALL ROAD6140 STONERIDGE							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2004								below) below) COO - CVI			
SUITE 590SUITE 590						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) PLEASANTON CA 94588													X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)																		
		Tab	le I - No	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curit	ties Ac	quired	, Dis	posed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution D			Code	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ies Acquiro Of (D) (Ins		Benefici Owned F	es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) oi (D)	Price	Reporter Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 03/08/3						2004 03/09/2004		М		10,000	0 A	\$29.	5 10	10,000		D		
Common Stock 03/08/2					8/200	/2004 03/09/2004		S		9,800	D	\$55.2	2.5	200		D		
Common Stock 03/08/2					8/200	/2004 03/09/2004		S		200	D	\$55.4	1 0			D		
		-	Гable II -								osed of, convertil			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		9	7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$29.5	03/08/2004	03/09/2	004	М			10,000	12/05/20	003	03/25/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$29.5	54,445	5	D	

Explanation of Responses:

**Gregory A. Fryling** 

03/09/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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