FORM 4

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940	
1. Name and Address SPO ADVISO	s of Reporting Person	n*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CABOT CORP [ CBT ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner
(Last) 591 REDWOOD	(First) (Middle) EDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/21/2007	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
(Street) MILL VALLEY (City)	CA (State)	94941 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  Form filed by One Reporting Person  X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MILL VALLEY CA 94941										X	Form filed by On Form filed by Mo Person		
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		Table I - No	1		Securities Acq		Dis				1	l. a	I
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)	s Acquired f (D) (Insti	1 (A) or r. 3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		100	A	\$33.14	9,472,200	I(1)(2)(3)	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		100	A	\$33.15	9,472,300	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		300	A	\$33.17	9,472,600	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		500	A	\$33.18	9,473,100	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		200	A	\$33.19	9,473,300	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		200	A	\$33.2	9,473,500	I	See footnote
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		300	A	\$33.21	9,473,800	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		100	A	\$33.22	9,473,900	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		200	A	\$33.23	9,474,100	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		100	A	\$33.24	9,474,200	I	See footnote
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		400	A	\$33.25	9,474,600	I	See footnote
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		400	A	\$33.26	9,475,000	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		300	A	\$33.27	9,475,300	I	See footnote
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		400	A	\$33.28	9,475,700	I	See footnote
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		400	A	\$33.29	9,476,100	I	See footnote
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		500	A	\$33.3	9,476,600	I	See footnotes
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		300	A	\$33.31	9,476,900	I	See footnote:
Common Stock			12/24/2	2007		P		200	A	\$33.32	9,477,100	I	See footnotes

	Date (Mont	nsaction :h/Day/Year)	Exo ) if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						Code	v	Amount	(	A) or D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	action(s)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007				P		200		A	\$33.33	9,4	477,300	I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007				P		200		A	\$33.35	9,477,500		I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007				P		500		A	\$33.38	9,4	478,000	I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	2/24/2007			P		400		A	\$33.39	39 9,478,400		I	See footnote		
Common Stock	12/	24/2007				P		800		A	\$33.4	3.4 9,479,2		I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007				P		1,500		A	\$33.41	3.41 9,480,70		I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007				P		700		A	\$33.42	9,481,400		I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007	17			P		900		A	\$33.43	9,482,300		I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007	007			P		900		A	\$33.44	9,483,200		I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	24/2007	4/2007			P		1,800		A	\$33.45	45 9,485,000		I	See footnote	
Common Stock	12/	12/24/2007				P		1,400		A	\$33.46	3.46 9,486,400		I	See footnote	
Common Stock 12/24/2007						P		600		A	\$33.47	9,4	487,000	I	See footnote	
Tal	ole II - Deriv (e.g.,	ative Se puts, ca										wned				
Derivative Conversion Date Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year)	ative Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code (Ins Price of Derivative Derivative) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8)		action of		n of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		xercisable and n Date ay/Year)		Amo Sec Und Deri		Der Sed	Price of ivative curity str. 5)	vative derivative urity Securities	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)	
										or	nount Imber					
		Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	of	ares					
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SPO ADVISORY CORP																
(Last) (First) 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE	(Middle)															
(Street) MILL VALLEY CA	94941															
(City) (State)	(Zip)		-													

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(First) 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215

CA

(State)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SPO PARTNERS II LP									
(Last) 591 REDWOOD H	(First)	(Middle)							
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
1. Name and Address of Elizabeth R. &	of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> William J. Patter	son Foundation							
(Last) 591 REDWOOD H SUITE 3215	(First) IIGHWAY	(Middle)							
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
Name and Address of Reporting Person*     SCULLY JOHN H									
(Last) 591 REDWOOD H	(First) IIGHWAY, SUITE 3:	(Middle) 215							
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  OBERNDORF WILLIAM E									
(Last) 591 REDWOOD H	(First) IIGHWAY, SUITE 3.	(Middle)							
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  PATTERSON WILLIAM J									
(Last) 591 REDWOOD H	(First)  IIGHWAY, SUITE 3.	(Middle)							
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941							
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

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- 1. The entities directly acquiring the shares reported on this form are SPO Partners II, L.P. ("SPO Partners"), which bought 45,100 shares, and the Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation ("WJPFND"), which bought 500 shares.
- 2. Due to the purchases causing this filing and related filings today, 9,075,100 shares are owned directly by SPO Partners, and may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by (i) SPO Advisory Partners, L.P. ("SPO Advisory"), the sole general partner of SPO Partners, (ii) SPO Advisory Corp. ("SPO Corp."), the sole general partner of SPO Advisory, and (iii) John H. Scully ("JHS"), William E. Oberndorf ("WEO") and William J. Patterson ("WJP"), the three controlling persons of SPO Corp. 415,600 shares are owned directly by San Francisco Partners, L.P. ("SF Partners"), and may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by (i) SF Advisory Partners, L.P. ("SF Advisory"), the sole general partner of SF Partners, (ii) SPO Corp., the sole general partner of SF Advisory, and (iii) JHS, WEO and WJP, the three controlling persons of SPO Corp. These shares are represented in the running total in Column 5 above, which does not include 8,100 shares held by WJPFND.
- 3. Additionally, (i) 333,650 shares of the issuer's common stock may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by WEO solely in his capacity as a trustee for the William and Susan Oberndorf Trust, dated 10/15/98 ("Oberndorf Trust"), (ii) 100,000 shares may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by WEO solely in his capacity as general partner of Oberndorf Family Partners, a California limited partnership, (iii) WEO owns 109,000 shares in his IRA, which is self-directed, and (iv) 10,000 shares may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by WEO solely in his capacity as trustee for the accounts of his two children, Peter C. Oberndorf & William Ernst Oberndorf.

## Remarks

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Form 2 of 3. The persons listed in Note (1) and Note (2) above (each a "Reporting Person") may be deemed to form a "group", as such term is defined in Rule 13d-5(b)(1) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, for purposes of this filing. This filing shall not be deemed as an admission by any Reporting Person that such person is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise, the beneficial owner of any equity securities covered by this statement. Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of such person's pecuniary interest, if any, therein.

\*\* 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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