FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			of Section 30(n) of the investment company Act of 1340	
1. Name and Addres SPO ADVISO		ì*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CABOT CORP [CBT]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner
(Last) 591 REDWOOD	(Last) (First) (Middle) 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2007	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)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Y Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
		Table I - No	n-Derivative	e Securities Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of,	or Ben	eficially	Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye	Execution Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)	Acquired f (D) (Insti	I (A) or : 3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		1,500	A	\$33.36	9,346,600	I(1)(2)(3)	See footnote
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		1,600	A	\$33.37	9,348,200	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		1,700	A	\$33.38	9,349,900	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		2,000	A	\$33.39	9,351,900	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		1,100	A	\$33.4	9,353,000	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		600	A	\$33.41	9,353,600	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		1,100	A	\$33.42	9,354,700	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		600	A	\$33.44	9,355,300	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		200	A	\$33.45	9,355,500	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		600	A	\$33.46	9,356,100	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		1,100	A	\$33.47	9,357,200	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		200	A	\$33.48	9,357,400	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		600	A	\$33.49	9,358,000	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/19/200	7	P		400	A	\$33.5	9,358,400	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/20/200	7	P		400	A	\$32.83	9,358,800	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/20/200	7	P		300	A	\$32.84	9,359,100	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/20/200	7	P		200	A	\$32.85	9,359,300	I	See footnot
Common St	ock		12/20/200	7	P		300	A	\$32.86	9,359,600	I	See footnot

		Tab	le I - No	n-Deriv	vative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Ben	eficially	Owne	ed		
				2. Trans Date (Month	saction Day/Year)	Execution Date,		Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		5)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Code	v	Amount	(A (C	A) or O)	Price	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		600		A	\$32.88	9,3	360,200	I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		100		A	\$32.89	9,360,300		I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		100		A	\$32.9	9,360,400		I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		200		A	\$32.91	9,360,600		I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		500		A	\$32.92	9,3	361,100	I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		100		A	\$32.93	9,3	361,200	I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		400		A	\$32.94	9,3	361,600	I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		300		A	\$32.95	9,361,900		I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		4,300		A \$32		9,366,200		I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		900		A \$32		9,367,100		I	See footnotes
Common	Stock			12/2	0/2007			P		3,161	A \$32		\$32.98	8 9,370,261		I	See footnotes
Common	Common Stock 12/20/2007					P				\$32.99			I	See footnotes			
		Ta	able II - I)							sed of, onvertib				wned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	ed n Date,	4. Transacti Code (Ins 8)	5. On of De See Act (A) Dis of (In	Number	6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	xercis	sable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. F Der Sec (Ins	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) 8. Price of Derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code V	(A)) (D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	or Num on of		mber ares				
	nd Address of DVISOR	Reporting Person* Y CORP															
(Last) (First) (Middle) 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215																	
(Street)	ALLEY	CA	9494	41													
(City)		(State)	(Zip)														
		Reporting Person* Y PARTNER															

(Last)

(Street)

(City)

MILL VALLEY

(First)

591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215

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(State)

(Middle)

94941

(Zip)

1. Name and Address of SPO PARTNER								
(Last) 591 REDWOOD F	(First) HIGHWAY, SUITE 3	(Middle)						
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation								
(Last) 591 REDWOOD F SUITE 3215	(First) HIGHWAY	(Middle)						
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SCULLY JOHN H								
(Last) 591 REDWOOD F	(First) HIGHWAY, SUITE 3	(Middle) 215						
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
	Name and Address of Reporting Person* OBERNDORF WILLIAM E							
(Last) 591 REDWOOD F	(First) HIGHWAY, SUITE 3	(Middle) 215						
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PATTERSON WILLIAM J								
(Last) 591 REDWOOD F	(First) HIGHWAY, 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 169,800 shares, and the Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation ("WJPFND"), which bought 2,600 shares.
- 2. Due to the purchases causing this filing and related filings today, 9,030,000 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 7,600 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

(City)

Form 2 of 4. 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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