

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SPO ADVISORY CORP</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215</u> (Street) <u>MILL VALLEY CA 94941</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CABOT CORP [CBT]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/17/2007</u> | |
| | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|---------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/18/2007 | | P | | 1,600 | A | \$32.96 | 9,270,500 | I ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ | See footnotes |
| Common Stock | 12/18/2007 | | P | | 2,700 | A | \$32.97 | 9,273,200 | I | See footnotes |
| Common Stock | 12/18/2007 | | P | | 1,600 | A | \$32.98 | 9,274,800 | I | See footnotes |
| Common Stock | 12/18/2007 | | P | | 300 | A | \$32.99 | 9,275,100 | I | See footnotes |
| Common Stock | 12/18/2007 | | P | | 700 | A | \$33 | 9,275,800 | I | See footnotes |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 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 | | | | | |

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| Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation | | |
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| OBERNDORF WILLIAM E | | |
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| PATTERSON WILLIAM J | | |
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Explanation of Responses:

1. The entities directly acquiring the shares reported on this form are SPO Partners II, L.P. ("SPO Partners"), which bought 92,300 shares, and the Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation ("WJPFND"), which bought 2,100 shares.

2. Due to the purchases causing this filing and related filings today, 8,860,200 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 5,000 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:

Form 5 of 5. 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.

Kim M. Silva, Attorney-in-Fact 12/19/2007

** 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).

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