Instruction 1(b)

## FORM 4

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## 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*  BRADY WILLIAM J					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CABOT CORP [ CBT ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director  10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CABOT CORPORATION TWO SEAPORT LANE, SUITE 1300						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/05/2003									X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Executive Vice President					
(Street) BOSTON (City)	<b>М</b> Д	A (	0 02210 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)      X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, r) 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 Securities Beneficially Owned Foll	Form: (D) or		Direct I	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
					Ì	(,		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)			
Common	mmon Stock 12/05/2		12/05/2	003	03		S		4,183	D	\$30.48	122,6	122,640 D							
Common Stock												5,108		I		Through the Trustee of the Corporation's Retirement Savings Plan.				
		Т	able								sposed of			ly Owned						
Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		emed tion Date,	ned 4. n Date, Transa Code (I		5. Number of		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)	tive ties cially d ing ted action(s)	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership ot (Instr. 4)					
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1						
Series B ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)								(2	)	(2)	Common stock	8,377			57	I	Through the Trustee of the Corporation's Retirement Savings Plan.		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ Each \ share \ is \ convertible \ into \ 146.4 \ shares \ of \ the \ Corporation's \ common \ stock.$
- 2. Under the Retirement Savings Plan, the Corporation allocates Series B ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock to each participant's account on a quarterly basis. Subject to certain terms and conditions of the Retirement Savings Plan, participants may elect to receive distributions of their vested account balance in the form of shares of the Corporation's common stock or cash. Generally, a participant is 20% vested in his account after 2 years of service with the Corporation; 40% vested after 3 years of service; 60% vested after 4 years of service; and 100% vested after 5 years of service.

## Remarks:

Michaela Allbee, pursuant to a power of attorney from William 12/09/2003 **Brady** 

\*\* 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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