FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Washington, D.C. 20549

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			of Section So(ii) of the investment Company Act of 1940	
1. Name and Addres  SPO ADVISO		ı*	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	(First) HIGHWAY, SUIT	(Middle) ΓΕ 3215	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2008	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     X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Z	Zip)							Person		
Table	e I - Non-Derivative S	ecurities Acq	uired,	Disp	oosed of,	or Ben	eficially	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 Disposed Of 5)	Acquired (D) (Instr	(A) or . 3, 4 and	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	01/10/2008		P		700	A	\$30.54	10,008,900	I(1)(2)(3)	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		500	A	\$30.55	10,009,400	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		400	A	\$30.56	10,009,800	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		700	A	\$30.58	10,010,500	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		1,100	A	\$30.59	10,011,600	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		900	A	\$30.6	10,012,500	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		300	A	\$30.61	10,012,800	I	See footnot
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		200	A	\$30.62	10,013,000	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		500	A	\$30.63	10,013,500	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		100	A	\$30.65	10,013,600	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		600	A	\$30.66	10,014,200	I	See footnot
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		200	A	\$30.67	10,014,400	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		700	A	\$30.68	10,015,100	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		500	A	\$30.69	10,015,600	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		1,100	A	\$30.7	10,016,700	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		200	A	\$30.71	10,016,900	I	See footnote
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		300	A	\$30.72	10,017,200	I	See footnot
Common Stock	01/10/2008		P		200	A	\$30.73	10,017,400	I	See footnot

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						Code			v	Amount		A) or D)	Price	Repor Trans (Instr.	rted action(s) 3 and 4)	,,, , , <sub> </sub>	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock			01/1	0/2008	008			P		100		A	\$30.74		,017,500	I	See footnote	
Common	Stock			01/1	0/2008	2008			P		100		A	\$30.75	10,	,017,600	I	See footnote
Common	Stock			01/1	0/2008				P		500		A	\$30.76	10,	,018,100	I	See footnote
Common	Stock			01/1	01/10/2008						300		A	\$30.77	10,	,018,400	I	See footnote
Common	Stock			01/1	0/2008				P		500		A	\$30.78	10,	,018,900	I	See footnote
Common	Stock			01/1	0/2008				P		200		A	\$30.79	10,	,019,100	I	See footnote
Common	Stock			01/1	0/2008				P		100		A	\$30.8	10,	,019,200	I	See footnote
Common	Common Stock 01/10/			0/2008				P		100		A	\$30.83	10,	,019,300	I	See footnote	
Common	Common Stock			01/1	01/10/2008				P		600		A	\$30.84	10,	,019,900	I	See footnote
Common Stock			01/1	1/10/2008				P		800		A	\$30.85 1		,020,700	I	See footnote	
Common Stock			01/1	01/10/2008				P		500		A	\$30.88		,021,200	I	See footnote	
Common Stock 0			01/1	01/10/2008			P		900		A	\$30.89	10,	,022,100	I	See footnote		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Executio ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		n Date, Transaction Code (Ins			ion of E		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Dei Sed (Ins	Price of rivative curity str. 5)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirec Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	nount mber ares				
	nd Address of DVISOR	Reporting Person* Y CORP																
(Last) 591 RED	OWOOD HI	(First) GHWAY, SUITI	(Mide E 3215	dle)														
(Street)	ALLEY	CA	949	41														
			(Zip)			-												

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MILL VALLEY

(First)

591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215

CA

(State)

(Middle)

94941

(Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SPO PARTNERS II LP</u>									
(Last) 591 REDWOOD F	(First) HIGHWAY, SUITE 3	(Middle)							
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Elizabeth R. &amp; William J. Patterson Foundation</u>									
(Last) 591 REDWOOD F SUITE 3215	(First) HIGHWAY	(Middle)							
(Street) MILL VALLEY	CA	94941							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
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 93,800 shares, and the Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation ("WJPFND"), which bought 2 500 shares
- 2. Due to the purchases causing this filing and related filings today, 9,662,600 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 21,900 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 6. 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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