FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Keohane Sean D                            |  |           |  |          |        | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CABOT CORP [ CBT ] |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|--|--|-----------|--|----------|--------|---|------|---|---|----------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| Reonalie Sean D  |  |           |  |          |        |   |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  | X  | _   |  |   |  | 0% Ov   |  |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CABOT CORPORATION                                    |  |           |  |          |        | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/20/2017           |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  | X Officer (give title Other (s below)  President and CEO |   |  |   |  | specify   |  |  |  |
| TWO SEAPORT LANE, SUITE 1300   |  |           |  |          |        |   |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| TWO SEAPORT LANE, SUITE 1500   |  |           |  |          | - 4 11 | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                 |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable                       |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| (Street)   |  |           |  |          | 7. "   | 4. If Americanical, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Teal)           |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  | Line)   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
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| (City)   | (St  | te) (Zip) |  |          |        |   |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  |   | Person   |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |           |  |          |        |   |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y                |  |           |  |          | Year)  | Execution Date,   |      |   | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |                                  | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and<br>5) |   |  |  | . Amount<br>securities<br>seneficiall<br>owned Fol                          | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  |   | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership                               |   |  |  |  |
|  |  |           |  |          |        |   |      |   | Code                                    | v                                | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price                                  | Ti   | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                              |  |   |  | (Instr  | . 4)   |  |  |
| Common Stock 11/20   |  |           |  |          | 17     | 7   |      |   |   |                                  | 18,070(1)   | A   | \$0.00                                 | )  | 109,612   |  | Γ | D  |   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock 11/21   |  |           |  |          | 17     |   |      |   | F                                       |                                  | 1,005   | D   | \$60.5                                 | 9  | 108,6   | 07   | D |  |   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |  |           |  |          |        |   |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  | 9,059.59 <sup>(2)</sup>   |  | I |  | Through the<br>Trustee for<br>the<br>Corporation's<br>401(k) Plan |  |  |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned        |           |  |          |        |   |      |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|  |  |           |  | (e.g., p | uts, c | alls,   | warr | ants  | , opt                                   | ions,                            | convertib   | le sec  | urities                                | 5)   |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                              | erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any |           |  |          |        | ransaction<br>ode (Instr.   |      | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |   | ate Exer<br>iration I<br>nth/Day |   | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |  | De<br>Se<br>(In  | Price of<br>erivative<br>ecurity<br>astr. 5)                                | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) |   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |   | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
|  |  |           |  |          | Code   | v   | (A)  | (D)   | Date<br>Exe                             | e<br>rcisable                    | Expiration<br>Date  | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Includes performance based units earned on the basis of the Corporation's performance in fiscal year 2017 that remain subject to time-based vesting.
- 2. Reflects retirement plan contributions by the Corporation, including contributions that have occurred since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.

## Remarks:

By: Kristine L. Ouimet, pursuant to a power of attorney 11/22/2017 from Sean D. Keohane

\*\* 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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