## 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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1. Name and Addre		g Person <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC</u> [ MTX	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
CURCIO JOHN B (Last) (First) (Middle) MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC. 405 LEXINGTON AVENUE		(Middle)	1	X	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (specify below)		
			<ul> <li>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2004</li> <li>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</li> </ul>	6. Indi	vidual or Joint/Group Filir	ng (Check Applicable		
(Street) NEW YORK				Line)	Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person	porting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi	 ciallv	Owned			

# 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)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities	(D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)

### 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)			5. Nu of Deriv Secu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ite			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)			
				Code	v	and 5 (A)	;) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
PHANTOM STOCK UNITS	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/02/2004	01/02/2004	Α		32.5		(2)	(2)	COMMON STOCK	32.5	\$59.37	4,773.654 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. EACH PHANTOM STOCK UNIT, WHEN REDEEMED, WILL HAVE THE VALUE OF ONE SHARE OF THE COMPANY'S COMMON STOCK ON THE FIRST BUSINESS DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH PAYMENT IS MADE

2. THE PHANTOM STOCK UNITS WERE ACCRUED UNDER THE MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC. NON-FUNDED DEFERRED COMPENSATION AND UNIT AWARD PLAN FOR NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR'S AND ARE TO BE SETTLED IN CASH UPON THE REPORTING PERSON'S RETIREMENT.

3. THE REPORTING PERSON ALSO DIRECTLY OWNS EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTIONS TO PURCHASE 190 SHARES OF MTX COMMON STOCK AT \$46.625 PER SHARE WHICH BECAME EXERCISABLE IN THREE EQUAL ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS BEGINNING ON JANUARY 24, 2003 AND EXPIRING ON JANUARY 24, 2012.

#### **Remarks:**

### VICTORIA LUKAUSKAS FOR JOHN CURCIO

01/05/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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