FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CURCIO JOHN B</u>				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC [MTX]								k all applica Director	,		10% Ov	vner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2006								Officer (below)	give title		Other (s below)	specify		
405 LEXINGTON AVENUE					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Ind	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10174										X	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
(City)	(Sta	ate) (.	Zip)																
		Tab	le I - Non-	-Deriva	ative	Se	curities	s Ac	quired,	Disp	osed c	of, or B	ene	ficially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		ities Acquired (A) o d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		A) or 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amoun Securities Beneficial Owned Fo Reported	Form Sollowing (I) (I)		Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Transaction	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111511.4)			
	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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		ate, Tr	ransaction of ode (Instr. Derivative			ve es d ed nstr.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				C	ode ,	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares					
PHANTOM STOCK UNITS	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	01/03/2006			A		51.212		(3)		(3)	COMM(STOCI		58.58	\$58.58	6,336.46	4 ⁽²⁾	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 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.
- 3. THE PHANTOM STOCK UNITS WERE ACCRUED UNDER THE MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC. NON-FUNDED DEFERRED COMPENSATION AND UNIT AWARD PLAN FOR NON- ${\tt EMPLOYEE\ DIRECTOR'S\ AND\ ARE\ TO\ BE\ SETTLED\ IN\ CASH\ UPON\ THE\ REPORTING\ PERSON'S\ RETIREMENT.}$

Remarks:

VICTORIA LUKAUSKAS **FOR JOHN CURCIO**

01/04/2006

** 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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