FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* CIPOLLA MICHAEL | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC [MTX] | | | | | | | | | | | c all applicat Director Officer (g | • | | 10% Ow Other (sp | ner | |
|---|--|------------|--------------|-------------------------------|--|------|---|------|------------------|-----------------------|------|-------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|----|--|------------|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC. 405 LEXINGTON AVENUE | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2004 | | | | | | | | | | | below) below) CONTROLLER | | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10174 | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | 6. Indi | S. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | y) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Ta | ble I - Non- | -Deriv | ativ | e Se | curiti | es A | \cqu | ired, I | Disp | osed of | , or Ber | nefi | cially (| Owned | | | | | |
| Date | | | | 2. Transa Date (Month/E | | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | ate, | Code (Instr. | | | | | 5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Owned Fol | y | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| COMMON STOCK 11/ | | | | 11/21/ | /2003 ⁽⁵⁾ | | | | J ⁽⁵⁾ | | 2.52 | A | | \$52 ⁽⁵⁾ | 2,01 | 6.6 | I | | BY 01(K) PLAN | | |
| | | | Table II - D | | | | | | | | | sed of, onvertib | | | | wned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Transaction curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code (Instr. | | | | 5. Number of Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 5. Number of Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4) 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4) 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | | | | curity | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | e s ally g | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| | | | | Co | ode | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exer | Excisable Da | | piration te | | | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | \$53.89 | 02/25/2004 | 02/25/2004 | 4 | A | | 2,300 | | | (1) | | (1) | COMMC STOCK | | 2,300 | \$0 ⁽³⁾ | 25,94 | 15 | D | | |
| DEFERRED STOCK | (3) | 02/25/2004 | 02/25/2004 | 4 | A | | 800 | | 02/25 | 5/2004 ⁽²⁾ | 02 | /25/2009 ⁽²⁾ | COMMC | | 800 | \$0 ⁽³⁾ | 1,60 | 0 | D | | |
| PHANTOM STOCK UNITS | (3) | 12/31/2003 | | | A | | 33.22 | | | (4) | | (4) | COMMO | | 33.22 | (3) | 364.0 | 6 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. THE OPTION VESTS IN FOUR EQUAL ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS BEGINNING ON FEBRUARY 25, 2005.
- 2. DEFERRED STOCK ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE COMPANY'S 2001 STOCK AWARD AND INCENTIVE PLAN. DEFERRED STOCK VESTS FIVE YEARS FROM DATE OF REPORTING PARTY'S RECEIPT OF NOTIFICATION.
- 3 ONE-FOR-ONE
- 4. THE REPORTED PHANTOM STOCK UNITS WERE ACQUIRED UNDER THE MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC. EXCESS BENEFIT PLAN AND ARE TO BE SETTLED UPON THE REPORTING PERSON'S RETIREMENT OR OTHER TERMINATION OF SERVICE BASED UPON A REPORT DATED DECEMBER 31, 2003.
- 5. MR. CIPOLLA HAS 2016.6 SHARES OF MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC. STOCK UNDER THE COMPANY'S 401(K) PLAN. THE INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT IS BASED ON A PLAN STATEMENT DATED AS OF DECEMBER 31,2003.

Remarks:

LINDA A. BUGGELN FOR MICHAEL CIPOLLA

02/27/2004

** 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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