FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HOLLAND JOHN M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OPTICAL CABLE CORP [OCCF]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last)							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2004									Officer (give title elow)	е		(specify
(Street)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	ty) (State) (Zip)											F	,	orm filed by More than One Reporting					
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Ben	efici	ally Ov	vned			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,		ansaction ode (Instr.				6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			tle and unt of irities erlying vative irity (In 4)	str. 3	8. Price Derivati Securit (Instr. 5	ve derivative Securities	lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents an award under the issuer's 2004 Non-Employee Directors Stock Plan.

John M. Holland

05/19/2004

** 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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