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* SMITH TRACY G						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol OPTICAL CABLE CORP [ OCC ]									ck all app Direc	licable)	ng Per	rson(s) to Is  10% Ov  Other (s	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5290 CONCOURSE DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/07/2024									7	belov		nd C	below)	вреспу	
(Street) ROANOKE VA 24019				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)						Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication  Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Exec if any	Deemed cution Date, y nth/Day/Year)				es Acquired (A) Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				ties cially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	) or )	Price		ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 08/07/2						2024					36,630(1	)   1	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	353,276			D		
	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	emed ion Date, /Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr.		of		Exerc ion Da Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (II 3 and 4)		Di Se (II	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	у	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber						

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents an award of restricted stock under the issuer's 2017 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended. The award in the amount of 36,630 shares generally vests annually over approximately five years if certain performance goals are achieved in fiscal years 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 with the first possible vesting date being January 31, 2026.

/s/ Tracy G. Smith

08/09/2024

\*\* 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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