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 and Ticker or Trading Symbol OPTICAL CABLE CORP [OCC]								neck all ap Dire	pplicable) ector		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5290 CONCOURSE DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2012									X belo	,	belov P and CFO	r (specify v)	
(Street) ROANOKE VA 24019 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Lir	ie) <mark>X</mark> For For				
		Tabl	e I - Nor	-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or I	Bene	ficia	lly Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquirities Acquiriti					d Secu Bene	ficially ed Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount (A) or)	Price	Trans	action(s) . 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 01/31/						2012		F		6,137 ⁽¹⁾		D	\$3.5	.54 132,704		D			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiratio (Month/D	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount of Mumbe of Shares		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 6,137 shares are being surrendered as allowed by the Company's 2005 and 2011 Stock Incentive Plans to cover the payment of taxes currently due on previously granted restricted shares.

/s/ Tracy G. Smith

02/01/2012 ** 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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