FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

| STATEMENT | OF CHANGES I | N BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WILLIAMSON JOHN B III | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OPTICAL CABLE CORP [OCC] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|--|--|---|-----------------|---|--|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|---|---|------------|---|---|---|--|
| (Last) | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/03/2012 | | | | | | | | | | ector cer (give title ow) | Ot | % Owner ner (specify ow) | |
| (Street) ROANO | | | 24019 Zip) | | 4. If | Ame | ndment | Date o | f Original | Filed | i (Month/Da | ay/Year |) | | ne) X For For | or Joint/Group m filed by On m filed by Mo son | e Reporting I | Person |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) | | | | d Secu Bene | ficially ed Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | of Indirect ct Beneficial Ownership | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | () 1) | A) or D) | Price | Trans | action(s) . 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock 04/0 | | | 04/03 | /2012 | 2012 | | A | | 11,106(1) | | A | \$(|) | 59,548 | | | | |
| 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) | 3A. Deems Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D) (Instrand 5 | ative rities ired osed | 6. Date Expiratio (Month/D | n Dat | | 7. Titl Amou Secun Under Derive Secun and 4 | nt of ities rlying ative ity (Ins | unt ber | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr | Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4) |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents an award under the issuer's amended 2004 Non-Employee Directors Stock Plan for a portion of the annual retainer and long term incentive for directors of the board for the 2012-2013 board year.

John B. Williamson, III 04/05/2012

** 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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