FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WILKIN NEIL D JR						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OPTICAL CABLE CORP [occf]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
WILLIAM	I I I I I I	<u> </u>													X			10% C	Owner
(Last)	t) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2005									X	Office belov	′	Other below t and CEO	(specify
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
					,										X	Form	filed by One	e Reporting Person	
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)														21	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Date			Date	nsaction h/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction Code (Instr.						4 and Securities Beneficially Owned Follow		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					01/26/2005						700		A	\$5.	5.01 11		9,750 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock																115		I	By Daughter #1 ⁽²⁾
Common Stock															115		I	By Daughter #2 ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock															115		I	By Daughter #3 ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock														115		I	By Son ⁽²⁾		
		Та	ble II - [sed of, onvertib				y Ov	vned			
						ans	_	-				_		lics	_				
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				4. Transa Code (8)		n of Deri Sec Acq (A) o Disp	osed) r. 3, 4	6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Insti and 4)		str. 3	Deriv	rivative (curity !str. 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)	
				Code V		(A)	(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or Nur of	ount nber ires						

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes awards of restricted stock under the issuer's incentive stock plan as follows: 28,500 shares of restricted stock granted under the issuer's incentive plan, which award vests ratably over 16 quarterly installments beginning on January 31, 2004; 15,000 shares of restricted stock granted under the issuer's incentive stock plan, which award vests ratably over 8 quarters beginning on January 31, 2005; 21,000 shares of restricted stock granted under the issuer's incentive stock plan, which award vests ratably over 24 quarters beginning on January 31, 2005; and, 9,000 shares of restricted stock granted under the issuer's incentive stock plan, which award vests over a six year award period based upon the achievement of certain performance goals.

2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his minor children, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for puorposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

> Neil D. Wilkin, Jr. 01/27/2005

** 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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