

BRISIMITZAKIS ANGELO C
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BRISIMITZAKIS ANGELO C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC [CMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
9900 WEST 109TH STREET, SUITE 600
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/20/2010

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/20/2010		M	35,000	A \$ 26.52	69,360	D
Common Stock	08/20/2010		S	35,000	D \$ 70.95 (1)	34,360	D
Common Stock						330 (2)	I Company 401 (k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0							Common Stock	9,73
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0							Common Stock	12,6
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0							Common Stock	10,1
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.52	08/20/2010		M		35,000		Common Stock	35,0
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.44							Common Stock	48,0
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.12							Common Stock	30,9
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 58.99							Common Stock	38,8
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 78.51							Common Stock	28,5
Performance Share Unit	\$ 0							Common Stock	1,9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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9900 WEST 109TH STREET
SUITE 600
OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210

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Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

/s/ Robert E. Marsh as
Attorney-in-Fact

08/24/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

The 35,000 shares were traded in blocks ranging in price from \$71.25 to \$70.16. \$70.95 is the weighted average price. Information

- (1) regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer.
- (2) The information in this report is based on a 401(k) plan statement dated as of 08/19/10.
- (3) This transaction is the exercise of a derivative security. See column 2 for the exercise price.

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