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#### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **SCHEDULE 13D**

(Rule 13d-101)

(Amendment No. 2)

# INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)

#### **The Eastern Company**

(Name of Issuer)

# Common Stock, no par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

## 276317104

(CUSIP Number)

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Person Authorized to Receive Notices

and Communications)

# **February 20, 2015**

(Date of Event which Requires Filing

of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f), or 13d-1(g), check the following box: [ ].

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This Amendment No. 2 amends and supplements the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on September 30, 2014, as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1 filed on February 6, 2015 (together, the Statement), by and on behalf of Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. (Barington) and others with respect to the common stock, no par value (the Common Stock), of The Eastern Company, a Connecticut corporation (the Company or Eastern). The principal executive offices of the Company are located at 112 Bridge Street, Naugatuck, Connecticut 06770.

### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The information contained in Item 4 of the Statement is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

On February 20, 2015, Barington delivered to the Secretary of the Company a letter (the Nomination Letter) notifying the Company of Barington s intention to nominate two (2) persons for election to the Board of Directors of Eastern at the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Company. A copy of the Nomination Letter is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.3 and incorporated herein by reference, and the foregoing description of the Nomination Letter is qualified in its entirety by reference to such exhibit.

On February 23, 2015, Barington Capital Group, L.P., an affiliate of Barington, issued a press release announcing that Barington has delivered the Nomination Letter to the Secretary of the Company. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.4 and incorporated herein by reference, and the foregoing description of the press release is qualified in its entirety by reference to such exhibit.

#### Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Item 7 of the Statement is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

# Exhibit No.

# **Exhibit Description**

99.3 Letter, dated February 19, 2015, from Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. to the Secretary of The Eastern Company.

99.4 Press Release issued by Barington Capital Group, L.P. dated February 23, 2015.

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## **SIGNATURES**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the undersigned certify that the
information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 23, 2015 BARINGTON COMPANIES EQUITY PARTNERS, L.P. By: Barington Companies Investors, LLC, its general partner By: /s/ James A. Mitarotonda Name: James A. Mitarotonda Title: Managing Member BARINGTON COMPANIES INVESTORS, LLC By: /s/ James A. Mitarotonda Name: James A. Mitarotonda Title: Managing Member

BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P.

by: LNA Capital Corp., its general partner
By: /s/ James A. Mitarotonda
Name: James A. Mitarotonda
Title: President and CEO
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By: /s/ Eric W. Kaup
Name: Eric W. Kaup
Title: Secretary

/s/ Jeffery B. Hecktman

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