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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PRESS DONALD			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COOPER COMPANIES INC [COO]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 6140 STON SUITE 590	6140 STONERIDGE MALL DR., (3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2005				_X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
PLEASAN	(Street) FON, CA 94588		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	able I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Ye	Code	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/19/2005	01/19/2005	M	2,000	A	\$ 12.78	24,949	D		
Common	01/19/2005	01/19/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 73	22,949	D		

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)	Code	5. Number conf 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. I Der Sec (In:
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 12.78	01/19/2005	01/19/2005	M	2,000	<u>(1)</u>	11/01/2009	Common Stock	2,000	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
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PRESS DONALD						
6140 STONERIDGE MALL DR., SUITE 590	X					
PLEASANTON, CA 94588						

Signatures

Donald Press 01/20/2005 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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- 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).
- (1) Exercisable when avg of closing prices of Co's common stk during any 30 consec cal days after the date of grant reaches \$15.34.

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