FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  STERN JAMES A							2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WESCO INTERNATIONAL INC [ WCC ]								Check al	nship of Reportii I applicable) Director	ng Per	₹ 10% C	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE CYPRESS GROUP L.L.C.							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/28/2004									Officer (give title below)		Other ( below)	(specify	
65 E. 55TH STREET, 28TH FLOOR						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022														X	•					
(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)																	
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriva	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	ally O	wned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 8)					d 5) S B O	Amount of ecurities eneficially wned Following eported	Form (D) o	wnership n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
										v	Amount	() (I	A) or D)	Price	Ti	ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 12/28/2							2004		S		967,680		D	\$25.07		12,431,663		I	See <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock 12/28/2						2004		S		50,120		D	\$25	.07	643,873		I	See <sup>(2)</sup>		
	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. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transa Code (I				6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (In: and 4)		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	ive derivative y Securities	/ D O (I	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	of Sha							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. As a member of The Cypress Group L.L.C., which is the general partner of Cypress Associates L.P., which is a general partner of Cypress Merchant Banking Partners L.P. and Cypress Offshore Partners L.P., the Reporting Person may be deemed, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") to be a "ten percent beneficial owner" of shares of Common Stock directly held by Cypress Merchant Banking Partners L.P. However, pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2) promulgated under the Act, the Reporting Person disclaims that he is the beneficial owner of such Common Stock.

2. As a member of The Cypress Group L.L.C., which is the general partner of Cypress Associates L.P., which is a general partner of Cypress Merchant Banking Partners L.P. and Cypress Offshore Partners L.P., the Reporting Person may be deemed, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") to be a "ten percent beneficial owner" of shares of Common Stock directly held by Cypress Offshore Partners L.P. However, pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2) promulgated under the Act, the Reporting Person disclaims that he is the beneficial owner of such Common Stock.

/s/ James A. Stern 12/28/2004

\*\* 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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