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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>STERN JAMES A</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O THE CYPRESS GROUP L.L.C.</u> <u>65 E. 55TH STREET, 28TH FLOOR</u>  (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10022</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>WESCO INTERNATIONAL INC [ WCC ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/22/2004</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/22/2004		S		5,181,623	D	\$25.07	13,399,343	I	See <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	12/22/2004		S		268,377	D	\$25.07	693,993	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. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

- 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.
- 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 12/22/2004

\*\* 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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