FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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* HERMANCE FRANK S					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IDEX CORP /DE/ [iex]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/14/2004									Officer (g below)	jive title		Other (s below)	pecify
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										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. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following	Forn		Direct Indirect tr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and				(Instr. 4)
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. Transa Code (5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		ite	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	g diction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
DEFERRED COMPENSATION	(1)	04/14/2004		A		233		(1)		(1)	COMMON	233	\$42.82	233	3	D	

Explanation of Responses:

UNITS (DCU'S)

1. ACQUIRED IN LIEU OF CASH DIRECTOR'S COMPENSATION UNDER THE SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED IDEX CORPORATION DIRECTORS DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN AT A PRICE PER DCU OF \$42.82. EACH DCU IS EXCHANGEABLE FOR SHARES OF IDEX CORPORATION COMMON STOCK A ONE-FOR-ONE BASIS FIVE YEARS AFTER THE YEAR FOR WHICH COMPENSATION IS DEFERRED.

FRANK S. HERMANCE

STOCK

04/14/2004

** 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).

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