FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IDEX CORP /DE/ [IEX]									ationship of k all applicat Director		Persor	n(s) to Issue				
				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2005									Officer (g below)	jive title		Other (s _l below)	pecify
(Street) NORTHBROOK IL 60062				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								I	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)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans: Date (Month/I			Execution Date,			Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr.			s Acquired (A of (D) (Instr. 3	or 5. Amount Securities Beneficial Following Reported		ly Owned (i	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and				nstr. 4)	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		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)	e s ully	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
DEFERRED COMPENSATION UNITS (DCU'S)	(1)	01/01/2005		A		213		(1)		(1)	COMMON STOCK	213	(1)	1,09	4	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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 RANGING FROM \$37.01 TO \$40.50. EACH DCU IS EXCHANGEABLE FOR SHARES OF IDEX CORPORATION COMMON STOCK ON A ONE-FOR-ONE BASIS FIVE YEARS AFTER THE YEAR FOR WHICH COMPENSATION IS DEFERRED.

FRANK S. HERMANCE

01/04/2005

** 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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