FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* RAETHER PAUL E						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IDEX CORP /DE/ [IEX]										lationship c ck all applic Directo						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O IDEX CORP						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2004										Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify		
630 DUNDEE ROAD							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) NORTHBROOK IL 60062															X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																			
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye		· /	3. Transact Code (In 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	s ally following	Form	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
										Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pi	ice	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(111511.4)		
	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		3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	Code (Inst					6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)		
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OPTIONS (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$42.25	01/30/2004			A		4,500		01/	/30/2006	01/	30/2014	COMMON STOCK	4,5	500	\$0	4,500)	D			

Explanation of Responses:

PAUL E. RAETHER

02/02/2004

** 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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