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* MURPHY HUGH J					AI	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP /DE/ [AIN]										all app		ig Perso	10% C	wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. P.O. BOX 1907					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2003											Office	er (give title w)		Other (below)	(specify
(Street) ALBANY NY 12201-1907 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									i. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X 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																			
Date					Date (Month/Day/Year) i		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Sec Ber		ount of ties cially I Following	Form:	nership Direct Indirect tr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	() (I	A) or D)	Price	:	Transa	ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)			()
Class A C	12/15	12/15/2003				A ⁽¹⁾		101		A \$2		101		101		D				
	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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any					Transaction Code (Instr.		of E		5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)			ice of vative urity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ov Fo Dir or (I)	10. 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	or Nur of Sha	nber						

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares distributed pursuant to issuer's Directors' Annual Retainer Plan.

Remarks:

Kathleen M. Tyrrell, Attorney-

** 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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The undersigned, as an officer and/or director of Albany International Corp., a Delaware corporation ("the Company"), hereby authorizes THOMAS H. HAGOORT, CHARLES J. SILVA, JR. AND KATHLEEN M. TYRRELL, and each of them with full power to act without the others, to sign and file, or cause to be filed, on behalf of the undersigned, any forms and other documents, including without limitation Forms 3 and 4 or any other forms hereafter substitute therefor, required or permitted to be filed by the undersigned pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.

The authorization of a person named above shall automatically terminate at such time as such person ceases to be an employee of the Company. The undersigned may terminate the authorization of any such person at any time by delivering written notice of termination to the Company.

Date: August 8, 2003 /s/ Hugh J. Murphy