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* BEECHER THOMAS R JR					ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP /DE/								(Check al	applicable		•			
					[ AIN ]														
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/08/2003									Officer (give title below)			Other (specify below)			
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
r) (State) (Zip)											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					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an 5)			Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transa	ction(s)			(IIISII.	. 4)	
Class A Common Stock 05/08/20				003	03			A <sup>(1)</sup>	V	406	A	24.6	1	),320	D				
Class A Common Stock 08/08			08/08/19	38(2)				<b>J</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		0 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	0(2)	1	1,711		I		Held by the Messer Foundation. <sup>(3)</sup>	
Class A Common Stock 08/08/198				88 <sup>(2)</sup>	8(2)			J <sup>(2)</sup>		0(2)	A	0(2)		104		Held by spouse. <sup>(4)</sup>			
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
of dive Conversion Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)					of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe		Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Be Ov Fo Re Tra (In		erivative ecurities Form Director or Indically eleported ransaction(s)		ship ( (D) rect (	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned Form: 1 owned Form: 2 owned Form: 3 owned Form: 2 owned Form: 3 owned Form: 2 owned Form: 3 owned Form: 3 owned Form: 3 owned Form: 3 owned Form: 4 owned Form:	ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP /DE/ [AIN]  (Check all applicable) X Director 1 Officer (give title Delow) Delow)  1. Officer (give title Delow) Delow)  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  (State)  (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  Security (Instr. 3)  2. A. Deened Execution Date, (Month/Day/Year) Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  2. Demond Stock  08/08/1988(2)  2. Demond Stock  08/08/1988(2)  2. Demond Stock  08/08/1988(2)  2. Demond Stock  08/08/1988(2)  3. Transaction (Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Short of Company of Co	ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP /DE/ [AIN ]  (First) (Middle)  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Distributed pursuant to issuer's Directors' Annual Retainer Plan.
- 2. No transaction to report.
- 3. Shares held by the Messer Foundation, an entity over which the assets of which reporting person shares voting and dispositive power.
- 4. Shares held by Judy C. Beecher, wife of reporting person. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.

Kathleen M. Tyrrell, Attorneyin-Fact 05/09/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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: November 18, 1997 /s/ Thomas R. Beecher, Jr.