**EASTERN CO** Form 4 July 11, 2008

# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LEGANZA LEONARD F Issuer Symbol EASTERN CO [EML] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 112 BRIDGE STREET 07/10/2008 below) below) Chairman, President & CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NAUGATUCK, CT 06770 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 07/10/2008 M 10.712 84,336 D Stock (1)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acqı Disp	umber of vative urities uired (A) or losed of (D) r. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Qualified employee stock option (2)	\$ 9.33	09/09/1998		M		10,712.25	09/09/1998	09/09/1998	Common Stock
Non-qualified employee stock option (3)	\$ 9.33	09/09/1998		A	0		09/09/1998	09/09/1998	Common Stock
Qualified employee stock option (4)	\$ 10.17	12/15/1999		A	0		12/15/1999	12/15/1999	Common Stock
Non-qualified employee stock option (5)	\$ 10.17	12/15/1999		A	0		12/15/1999	12/15/1999	Common Stock
Qualified employee stock option (6)	\$ 9.5	07/19/2000		A	0		<u>(6)</u>	07/19/2000	Common Stock

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LEGANZA LEONARD F 112 BRIDGE STREET NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	X		Chairman, President & CEO				
Signatures							

/s/Leonard F. Leganza	07/11/2008	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- 10,712.25 shares were exercised on July 10, 2008 at \$9.33 per share. Mr. Leganza recieved cash in lieu of the .25 share exercised. The original 9/9/1998 option was for 4,761 shares at \$21.00 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 5/28/1999 and a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006, this option became 10,712.25 shares at \$9.33 per share.
- Original 9/9/1998 option was for 4,761 shares at \$21.00 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 5/28/1999 and a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006, this option is now 10,712.25 shares at \$9.33 per share. On July 10, 2008, 10,712.25 shares were exercised at \$9.33 per share, leaving a zero balance.
- Original 9/9/1998 option was for 25,239 shares at \$21.00 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 5/28/1999 and a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006, this option is now 56,787.75 shares at \$9.33 per share.
- (4) Original 12/15/1999 option was for 13,114 shares at \$15.25 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006, this option is now 19,671 shares at \$10.17 per share.
- Original 12/15/1999 option was for 41,886 shares at \$15.25 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006, this option is now 62,829 shares at \$10.17 per share.
- The original 7/19/2000 option was for 32,500 shares at \$14.25 per share. 7,017 shares were vested on 1/1/2001; 7,017 shares were vested on 1/1/2002; 7,017 shares were vested on 1/1/2004 and the remaining 4,432 shares vested on 1/1/2005. As a result of a 3-for2 stock split effective 10/18/2006, this option is now 48,750 shares at \$9.50 per share.

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