**CABOT CORP** 

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SPO ADVISORY CORP

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

CABOT CORP [CBT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director Officer (give title \_X\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_ Other (specify

591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY,

SUITE 3215,

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

12/21/2007

Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

MILL VALLEY, CA 94941

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/21/2007		P	400	A	\$ 33.27	9,446,000	I (1) (2) (3)	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007		P	400	A	\$ 33.28	9,446,400	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007		P	2,700	A	\$ 33.29	9,449,100	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007		P	1,600	A	\$ 33.3	9,450,700	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007		P	2,200	A	\$ 33.31	9,452,900	I	See footnotes

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Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	3,000	A	\$ 33.32	9,455,900	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	2,200	A	\$ 33.33	9,458,100	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	1,800	A	\$ 33.34	9,459,900	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	1,700	A	\$ 33.35	9,461,600	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	700	A	\$ 33.36	9,462,300	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	600	A	\$ 33.37	9,462,900	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	1,200	A	\$ 33.38	9,464,100	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	600	A	\$ 33.39	9,464,700	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	600	A	\$ 33.4	9,465,300	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	600	A	\$ 33.41	9,465,900	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	300	A	\$ 33.42	9,466,200	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	100	A	\$ 33.43	9,466,300	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	200	A	\$ 33.45	9,466,500	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	400	A	\$ 33.46	9,466,900	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	500	A	\$ 33.47	9,467,400	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	300	A	\$ 33.48	9,467,700	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	500	A	\$ 33.49	9,468,200	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/21/2007	P	2,400	A	\$ 33.5	9,470,600	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/24/2007	P	200	A	\$ 33.06	9,470,800	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/24/2007	P	100	A	\$ 33.07	9,470,900	I	See footnotes
	12/24/2007	P	200	A		9,471,100	I	

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Common Stock					\$ 33.08		See footnotes
Common Stock	12/24/2007	P	100	A	\$ 9,471,200	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/24/2007	P	200	A	\$ 33.1 9,471,400	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/24/2007	P	400	A	\$ 9,471,800	I	See footnotes
Common Stock	12/24/2007	P	300	A	\$ 9,472,100	I	See footnotes

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)

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. Transa Code (Instr.		5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Under Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	v	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SPO ADVISORY CORP 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215 MILL VALLEY, CA 94941		X				
SPO ADVISORY PARTNERS LP 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215 MILL VALLEY, CA 94941		X				
		X				

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X

SPO PARTNERS II LP 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215 MILL VALLEY, CA 94941

Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation 591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY SUITE 3215

MILL VALLEY, CA 94941

SCULLY JOHN H

591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215 X

MILL VALLEY, CA 94941

OBERNDORF WILLIAM E

591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215 X

MILL VALLEY, CA 94941

PATTERSON WILLIAM J

591 REDWOOD HIGHWAY, SUITE 3215 X

MILL VALLEY, CA 94941

## **Signatures**

Kim M. Silva, Attorney-in-Fact

12/26/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

### **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).
- The entities directly acquiring the shares reported on this form are SPO Partners II, L.P. ("SPO Partners"), which bought 45,100 shares, and the Elizabeth R. & William J. Patterson Foundation ("WJPFND"), which bought 500 shares.

Due to the purchases causing this filing and related filings today, 9,075,100 shares are owned directly by SPO Partners, and may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by (i) SPO Advisory Partners, L.P. ("SPO Advisory"), the sole general partner of SPO Partners, (ii) SPO Advisory Corp. ("SPO Corp."), the sole general partner of SPO Advisory, and (iii) John H. Scully ("JHS"), William

- (2) E. Oberndorf ("WEO") and William J. Patterson ("WJP"), the three controlling persons of SPO Corp. 415,600 shares are owned directly by San Francisco Partners, L.P. ("SF Partners"), and may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by (i) SF Advisory Partners, L.P. ("SF Advisory"), the sole general partner of SF Partners, (ii) SPO Corp., the sole general partner of SF Advisory, and (iii) JHS, WEO and WJP, the three controlling persons of SPO Corp. These shares are represented in the running total in Column 5 above, which does not include 8,100 shares held by WJPFND.
  - Additionally, (i) 333,650 shares of the issuer's common stock may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by WEO solely in his capacity as a trustee for the William and Susan Oberndorf Trust, dated 10/15/98 ("Oberndorf Trust"), (ii) 100,000 shares may be
- deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by WEO solely in his capacity as general partner of Oberndorf Family Partners, a California limited partnership, (iii) WEO owns 109,000 shares in his IRA, which is self-directed, and (iv) 10,000 shares may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by WEO solely in his capacity as trustee for the accounts of his two children, Peter C. Oberndorf & William Ernst Oberndorf.

#### **Remarks:**

Form 1 of 3.

The persons listed in Note (1) and Note (2) above (each a "Reporting Person") may be deemed to form a "group", as such ternote: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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