

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ARONSON ARTHUR H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO [CTB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/03/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY, 701 LIMA AVE.

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FINDLAY, OH 45840

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction of | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. Price of Derivative |
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | Securi (Instr. | | |
|---------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Phantom Stock | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 03/03/2006 | I | | 5,000 | ⁽²⁾ | ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock | 5,000 \$ 14 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ARONSON ARTHUR H COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY 701 LIMA AVE. FINDLAY, OH 45840 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Gregory E. Meyers Attorney-in-fact for Arthur H. Aronson 03/07/2006

**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).
- (1) Each phantom stock unit will convert to one share of Common Stock.
- (2) The phantom stock units were accrued under the Cooper Tire & Rubber Company 1998 Non-Employee Directors Compensation Deferral Plan and are to be settled in Common Stock of the Company upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director.

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