FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MITCHAM BILLY F JR						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MITCHAM INDUSTRIES INC [MIND]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) 8141 SH	(Fi 75 SOUTH	rst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2004								X Offic below	,	Other (specify below)			
(Street) HUNTSVILLE TX 77342					4. If An	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St	<u></u>						<u> </u>											
Date				2. Transa Date	action 2A. Dee Executi Day/Year) if any		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			r 5. Amount of		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	V	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)				
Common Stock 12/17								A		4,000		A	\$5.99	_	97,000	D -			
Common				12/20/				A		200		A	\$5.95	-	97,200	D			
Common Stock 12/20										413		A			97,613	D			
Common Stock 12/20										1,087	-	A	\$5.98	_	98,700	D			
Common Stock 12/20										100		A	\$6.01 \$5.99	_	99,200	D D			
Common Stock 12/20					/2004			A		300	\dashv	A	\$6.14	_	99,600	D D			
					/2004			A		100	\dashv	A	\$6.09		99,700	D			
					/2004			A		1,000	+	A	\$6.15	_	00,700	D			
Common Stock 12/20/								A		600		A	\$6.2	_	01,300	D			
					/2004			A		200	\dashv	A	\$6.23	_	01,500	D			
					/2004			A		100		A	\$6.05	5 30	01,600	D			
					/2004					5,050		A	\$6.1	. 30	06,650	D			
Common Stock 12/21/					/2004	004				5,000		A	\$6.15	5 3:	11,650	D			
Common Stock 12/21/2					/2004	2004				1,350		A	\$6.14	4 3:	13,000	D			
Common Stock														5	7,594	I	Trusts ⁽¹⁾		
		Т	able II - [Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date Execution (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)			Date, Transaction Code (Inst		5. Number 6		6. Date E	5. Date Exercise Expiration Date Month/Day/Yea		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe		str. 3	s. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	tive derivative ty Securities	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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1. Mr. Mitcham holds these shares in two trusts for his sons.

/s/ Billy F. Mitcham, Jr.

12/21/2004

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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