Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Sec	tion 30(h) of the In	vestment Corr	pany Act of 1940						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			Name <b>and</b> Ticker of BELL INC [] H			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
HOFFMAN	IJOEL S						X	Director	10% C	wner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 101 APAWAMIS AVENUE				f Earliest Transacti 004	ion (Month/Da	y/Year)		Officer (give title below)	Other below)	(specify		
(Street)			4. If Ame	ndment, Date of O	riginal Filed (N	Ionth/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
RYE NY 10580							X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
								Form filed by More	e than One Repor	ting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
		Table I - No	n-Derivative S	ecurities Acqu	uired, Disp	oosed of, or Benefici	ially O	wned				
		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

## Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Month/Day/Year) 8) (A) or (D) Code v Amount Price

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 ( 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Directors Deferred Compensation Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$83.39 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/14/2004		A		179.878 <sup>(1)</sup>		(3)	(3)	Class A and Class B Common Stock	179.878(1)	\$83.39 <sup>(2)</sup>	15,243.735	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Equal number of shares of Class A and Class B Common Stock credited as units under Hubbell's Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors.

2. Unit price consisting of the closing price of one share each of Class A and Class B Common Stock.

3. Deferred units are payable commencing on the January 1 following the reporting person's retirement or separation from the Board.

**Remarks:** 

## Richard W. Davies Attorney-infact for Joel S. Hoffman

05/17/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

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