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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RAHILL PAUL F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]				_	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2004					below)	ive title Oth below) nt, Cremation Di	
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Securit	ties Ac	equired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D) 4 and 5) (A) or)	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)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative

Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired

(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date

Expiration

Title Amount or

Exercisable Date

> Number of

> > Shares

Employee

Option

Stock \$ 36.03

11/16/2004

A 8,000 11/16/2007 11/16/2014

Class A Common 8,000 Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RAHILL PAUL F

President, Cremation Division

Signatures

Paul F. Rahill

11/17/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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