FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Debney P. James				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORP SWHC ]								(Che	S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner						
				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/26/2013								X	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President and CEO						
(Street) SPRINGFIELD MA 01104  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line)	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(31		Zip)	n-Deriv	 vative	Sec.	curities	Δςα	uired	Die	nosed o	f or B	nef	icially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/Date)				action 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)			) or	5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo	mount of urities eficially ed Following		Direct I Indirect E str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
						Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or	Price	Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 ar	ansaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 04/26/					/2013 A		52,000	000 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$		\$0.00	166,318 <sup>(2)</sup>			D					
	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 D if any (Month/Day	oate, Transa Code (I			Derivative		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		е	of Secu Underly Derivat	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				C	Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu	nount Imber Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			
Performance Rights	(3)	04/26/2013			A		104,000		(3)		04/26/2016	Commo	n 10	04,000	\$0.00	104,0	00	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. One-third of the restricted stock units shall vest and be delivered on each of the first, second, and third annual anniversaries of the date of grant.
- $2.\ Includes\ 2,952\ shares\ acquired\ under\ the\ Issuer's\ Employee\ Stock\ Purchase\ Plan\ on\ March\ 28,\ 2013.$
- 3. Each performance right represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The performance rights vest based on achievement of certain target performance of the Issuer's stock price over a three-year performance period. The number represents the maximum number of shares that may be delivered pursuant to the award.

## Remarks:

Robert J. Cicero, as Attorney-in-04/30/2013

<u>Fact</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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