

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BENDER JOHN C</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) (Street) (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BOISE CASCADE CORP [BCC]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Sr. Vice President</u> |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/15/2003</u> | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

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 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) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 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) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| Phantom Stock Units | 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 07/15/2003 | | A | | 295.1518 | | 08/08/1988 ⁽²⁾ | 08/08/1988 ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 295.1518 | \$21.5 | 16,293.0318 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Each phantom stock unit is equal in value to one share of the company's common stock.
- Vested in participant stock units (and related dividend equivalent stock units) at all times. Company matching stock units (and related dividend equivalent stock units) vest as follows: (a) 100% upon participant's death, disability, or early or normal retirement; (b) 100% upon a change in control of the company; (c) 100% upon involuntary termination for reasons other than disciplinary reasons or termination as a result of the sale or permanent closure of a company facility, operating unit, or division; and (d) 20% on each anniversary of the date account was first credited with stock units under the plan. 20% is cumulative -- after 5 years, participant is completely vested in all stock units in his or her account, including any stock units allocated to the account in the future.
- Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares of common stock in accordance with the participant's Deferred Compensation Distribution Election Agreement, except in the case of a change in control, in which case payment may be made in either cash or stock.

John C. Bender

07/16/2003

** 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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