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Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

O Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
See Instruction 1(b).

Name and Address of Reporting Person*	2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	3.	I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)	
Thomas, Barbara S.		The Dial Corporation (DL)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)					
15501 N. Dial Boulevard Suite 2212 (Street)		Statement for Month/Day/Year	5.	If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
		10/10/2002			
		Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7.		
Scottsdale, AZ 85260 USA		X Director O 10% Owner		x Form Filed by One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)		Officer (give title below)		o Form Filed by More	
		Other (specify below)		than One Reporting Person	

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

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^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see instruction 4(b)(v).

Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2.	Transaction 2 Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 4 Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4 o	f (D)	ed (A) or 5	Amount of Sec- urities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Trans- action(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
The Dial Corporati Common Stock	on							1,000.00	D	

Title of Deriva Security (Instr. 3)	Pri	nversion or Exercise 3. ce of Derivative urity	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Deemed Execution 4. Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction 5. Code (Instr. 8)		a) or Disposed	
					Code V	(A)	(D)	
Options - Righ Buy	t to	14.4250						
Options - Righ Buy	t to	14.3750						
Options - Righ Buy	t to	23.1563						
Options - Righ Buy	t to	27.0000						
Options - Righ Buy	t to	10.8438						
Options - Righ Buy	t to	16.5313						
Options - Righ Buy	t to	19.7800	6/6/2002		A	4,600.0	00	
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Phantom Stock Units		1-for-1			A	541.	75	

Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
6. Date Exerc Expiration (Month/Day	Date	7. Title and Ar of Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 and	ng	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10.Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisable	Expiration e Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
(1)	06/07/2011	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			6,200.00	D	
(1)	01/27/2007	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			9,400.00	D	
(1)	08/20/2008	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			3,900.00	D	
(1)	8/19/2009	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			3,300.00	D	
(1)	08/17/2010	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			8,300.00	D	
(1)	08/08/2007	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			5,500.00	D	
(2)	06/06/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock	4,600.00	19.7800	4,600.00	D	
(1)	6/6/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock	4,600.00	19.7800	4,600.00	D	
(3)		The Dial Corporation Common Stock	541.75		6,660.80	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Annual stock option award granted pursuant to the 1996 Stock Incentive Plan. 50% of the options are exercisable one year after grant and 100% exercisable two years after grant.
- 2. Refresher stock option award granted after each successive five years of service pursuant to the 1996 Stock Incentive Plan. 50% of the options are exercisable one year after grant and 100% exercisable two years after grant.
- 3. Between January 1 and October 10, 2002, the reporting person acquired 541.75 phantom stock units at a price range from \$14.88 to \$20.97 as a result of dividend, retainer and meeting fee payments under the Corporations Directors Deferred Compensation Plan.

By: /s/ LUCINDA K. STEWART	10/14/02
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT	

** 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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SECTION 16 POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Christopher J. Littlefield, Lucinda K. Stewart and Dianne B. Stoehr, signing singly, the undersigned strue and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned s capacity as an officer and/or director of The Dial Corporation (the Company), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, and 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact s discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact s substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned s responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned s holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 15 day of August, 2002.

/s/ Barbara S. Thomas	
Signature	
Barbara S. Thomas	
Print Name	_