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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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)		
Oesterreicher, James E.		The Dial Corporation (DL)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)						
15501 N. Dial Boulevard Suite 2212		Statement for Month/Day/Year		If Amendment, Date of (Month/Day/Year)	f Original	
(Street)	_	10/10/2002				
	6.	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7.	Individual or Joint/Gr (Check Applicable Line)		
Scottsdale, AZ 85260 USA	_	X Director O 10% Owner		11	orm Filed by One eporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)		Officer (give title below)		O	orm Filed by More	
		Other (specify below)			an One Reporting erson	

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, <i>see</i> instruction 4(b)(v).

	Tabl	le I Non-Derivative	Securities Acc	quired, Dis	posed	of, or Be	neficially Own	ed	
Security I	Transaction 2 Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 4 Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4	f (D)	ed (A) or	5. Amount of Sec- urities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Trans- action(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
The Dial Corporation Common Stock							2,500.00	D	
			Pa	ge 2					

Title of Derivative 2. Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise 3. Price of Derivative Security	Transaction 3. Date (Month/Day/Year)	A. Deemed Execution 4. Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction 5. Code (Instr. 8)		or Disposed of (D)
				Code V	(A)	(D)
Options - Right To Buy	14.4250					
Options - Right to Buy	11.625					
Options - Right to Buy	10.8438					
Options - Right to Buy	20.80					
Options - Right to Buy	14.88					
Options - Right to Buy	16.6350					
Options - Right to Buy	19.94					
Options - Right to Buy	19.7800					
Options - Right to Buy	20.800	10/10/2002		A	200.00	
Phantom Stock Units	1-for-1			A	180.29	

	Ta				ed, Disposed of, or Beneficially O		
6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares				
(1)	06/07/2011	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			6,200.00	D	
(1)	8/9/2010	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			7,700.00	D	
(1)	08/17/2010	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			4,150.00	D	
(2)	08/21/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			200.00	D	
(2)	01/24/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			300.00	D	
(2)	03/05/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			200.00	D	
(2)	06/05/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			300.00	D	
(1)	6/6/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock			4,600.00	D	
(2)	10/10/2012	The Dial Corporation Common Stock	200.00	20.8000	200.00	D	

The Dial
Corporation
Common

(3) Stock 180.29 2,763.44 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. Granted in lieu of payment of Board of Directors meeting fees. Options are 100% vested on the date of grant.
- 3. Between August 24 and October 10, 2002, the reporting person acquired 180.29 phantom stock units at a price of \$20.80 as a result of meeting fee payments under the Corporation Directors Deferred Compensation Plan.

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

^{**} Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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 21 day of August, 2002.

/s/ James E. Oesterreicher
Signature
James E. Oesterreicher
Print Name