FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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					or	Section	30(n)	of the	invest	ment	Company Act o	of 1940								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ERAZMUS WALTER T</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GIBRALTAR STEEL CORP [Rock]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner						
(Last)	st) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/08/2004									Officer (give title X Other (specify below) Former Officer					
(Street)					4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(City)	y) (State) (Zip)				-										X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	le I -	Non-Deri	vative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quir	ed, C	Disposed o	f, or B	enefic	cial	ly Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		te,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follor Reported		es ally Following	Form: (D) or I	Direct I Indirect I str. 4)	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Dwnership Instr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			ion(s)			msu. 4)	
Common	stock			04/08/20	004				J ⁽¹⁾	V	9.9331	A	\$25.	5.09 5,550.2331		I		Gibraltar Steel Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan		
Common stock 04/29/20		004	i4			J	V	4,404.5189	D	\$25.	.01	1 1,145.714		142 I		Gibraltar Steel Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan				
Common	stock			05/04/20	004				J	v	572.8592	D	\$25.	.61	572	.855		I	Gibraltar Steel Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan	
Common	stock			05/11/20	004				S		800	D	\$25.	.05	(0		I 1	Individual Retirement Account ⁽²⁾	
Common stock 05/1		05/11/20	004				S		500	D	\$25.	.05	0			I 1	individual Retirement Account ⁽³⁾			
Common stock													27,	396		D				
		Ta	able I								posed of, o				Owned					
Derivative Conversion Date Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if ar		Exec if any	Deemed 4. Ution Date, Trans		saction le (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		mber ative rities ired sed	6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Day		ercisable and Date	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 0 0	B. 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)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expiration e Date		Amount or Number of Shares							

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares purchased on April 8, 2004 pursuant to the Gibraltar Steel Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan at a price of \$25.09 per share.
- 2. Shares of common stock indirectly in an Individual Retirement Account for the benefit of the reporting person.
- 3. Shares of common stock held in an Individual Retirement Account for the benefit of the reporting person's wife.

/s/Janet N. Gabel, Attorney in Fact for Walter T. Erazmus

05/12/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

- * 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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WALTER T. ERAZMUS

LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Gerald S. Lippes and Janet N. Gabel, each acting individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority as hereinafter described on behalf of and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned to:

- (1) prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver and file Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) with respect to the securities of Gibraltar Steel Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, any national securities exchanges and the Company, as considered necessary or advisable under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act");
- (2) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to each of the undersigned's attorneys-in-fact appointed by this Power of Attorney and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (3) perform any and all other acts which in the discretion of such attorney-in-fact are necessary or desirable for and on behalf of the undersigned in connection with the foregoing.

The undersigned acknowledges that:

- (1) this Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, each such attorney-in-fact to act in their discretion on information provided to such attorney-in-fact without independent verification of such information;
- (2) any documents prepared and/or executed by either such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney will be in such form and will contain such information and disclosure as such attorney-in-fact, in his or her discretion, deems necessary or desirable;
- (3) neither the Company nor either of such attorneys-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act; and
- (4) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

The undersigned hereby gives and grants each of the foregoing attorneys-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the foregoing matters as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if present, hereby ratifying all that each such attorney-in-fact of, for and on behalf of the undersigned, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Limited Power of Attorney.

to each	This Power of Attorney shall remain in such attorney-in-fact.	full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered
2003.	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersignment of the second	gned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this day of August,
Walter	T. Erazmus	
STATE	E OF NEW YORK	
COUN	SS:	
whose his/her/	ed Walter T. Erazmus, personally known name(s) is (are) subscribed to the wi	ar 2003, before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said state, personally a to me or provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) (thin instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in (their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s) or the person upon behalf of rument.
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