FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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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)	(Fi	rst) ((Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/21/2004								Officer (give title X Other (specify below) Former Officer						
(Street)					4. If	Amen	dmen	t, Date	of Origi	nal Fi	led (Month/D	ay/Year)		ine)	lividual or	Joint/Grou	up Filin	g (Check	Applicable
(City)	City) (State) (Zip)			-									X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/				Execution Date,				es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
							Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Common	Common stock 04/21/20		004 ⁽¹⁾				J ⁽¹⁾	V	46.95	D	\$24.41	L ⁽¹⁾	5,54	0.3		I	Gibraltar Steel Corp. 401(k) Savings Plan		
Common	stock														35,3	96		D	
Common stock													80	0		I	Individual Retirement Account ⁽²⁾		
Common stock													50	0		I	By Wife ⁽³⁾		
		Т	able II								posed of				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any		4. Transa	ransaction of Code (Instr. Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Sect Unde Deriv			7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 an	d f s g e Security	8 5	s. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transact (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	er					
Option (right to buy) ⁽⁴⁾	\$16.75								07/08/1	.997	07/07/2006	Common stock	9,925	5		9,92	5	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽⁴⁾	\$15.625								10/08/1	.999	10/07/2008	Common stock	4,030			4,03	0	D	
Option (right to buy)	\$14.07								07/18/2	2001	07/18/2010	Common stock	3,125	5		3,12	5	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents the net effect of shares purchased and sold from January 1, 2004 through March 31, 2004 pursuant to the Gibraltar Steel Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan at an average price of \$24.41 per share. The information reported herein is based on a Plan Statement dated April 13, 2004.
- 2. Shares of common stock indirectly held 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.
- 4. Grants to reporting person of option to purchase shares of common stock under the Gibraltar Steel Corporation Incentive Stock Option Plan. The options are exercisable at the rate of 25% per year.

/s/Janet N. Gabel, Attorney in 04/21/2004 Fact for Walter T. Erazmus

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- ** 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 the rument.
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