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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LIPKE BRIAN J</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GIBRALTAR STEEL CORP [Rock]									5. Relationship of Reportin (Check all applicable) X Director			ssuer Owner		
(Last)	ast) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2003									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & CEO					
(Street)							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(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)		Date Ex (Month/Day/Year) if		if any	emed ion Date, /Day/Yea	n Date, Transacti Code (Ins						. 3, Owned Follo		of Securities Beneficially lowing Reported n(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			rship I Direct I	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
						Cod	e	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price					Indire (Instr.		Instr. 4)			
Common	ommon stock 05			5/22/2003			J ⁽¹			59.4	D	20		129,7	761.6 ⁽¹⁷⁾⁽¹⁸⁾		I		Rush Creek Investment Co. LP ⁽¹⁹⁾		
Common stock			05	05/22/2003		J ⁽¹⁾			300	D	20		8	891,702		I B		By Trust ⁽²⁾			
Common stock			05	05/22/2003		J ⁽¹⁾			1,200	D	20	3,136	3,136,715(4)(5)(6)(7)((7)(8)(9)(10)(11)(12)(13)		I '	Γrust ⁽³⁾			
			Т	able II - De (e.						uired, Dis , options					y Owned						
Derivative Conversion		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	C	ransactio ode (Inst	n of r. Der Sec Acc (A) Dis of (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)		and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					C	ode V	(A)	([Date Exercisable	Expira Date	ation	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Option to buy	10	08/08/1988 ⁽	14)			J	0			11/01/1995	10/31/	2004	Common stock	0	\$0	15,000 ⁽	15)	D			
Option to buy	21.75	08/08/1988 ⁽	14)			J	0			07/08/1998	.998 07/08/2007 Common stock		0	\$0	25,000 ⁽	15)	D				
Option to buy	22.5	08/08/1988 ⁽¹⁴⁾				J	0	0 03/27/1999 03/27/2008 C		Common stock	0	\$0	\$0 50,000 ⁽¹⁶⁾		D						
Option to buy	14.07	08/08/1988 ⁽¹⁴⁾		14)		J	0			07/18/2001	07/18/	2003	Common stock	0	\$0	12,500 ⁽	16)	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Sale of securities pursuant to a pre-arranged stock trading plan established pursuant to Rule 10b5-1.
- 2. Represents shares held by a trust for the benefit of reporting person of which he serves as one of three trustees and shares voting and investment power.
- 3. Represents shares held by four trusts for benefit of insiders of Gibraltar Steel Corporation, each of which reporting person serves as one of three trustees and shares voting and investment power and as to which he disclaims beneficial ownership.
- 4. 5,605 shares held by trust for benefit of a child (Carlisle Lipke-Ricci) of an insider of Gibraltar Steel Corporation. The reporting person serves as one of four trustees and shares voting and investment power and as to which shares he disclaims beneficial ownership.
- 5. 6,700 shares held by a Trust for the benefit of a child (Kenneth Eric Lipke) of an insider of Gibraltar Steel Corporation, which the reporting person serves as one of three trustees and shares voting and investment power and as to which shares he disclaims beneficial ownership
- 6. 3,480 shares held by reporting person as custodian for daughter under UGMANY.
- 7. 61,085 shares held by Trust created under the Last Will and Testament of Kenneth E. Lipke for the benefit of reporting person's mother as to which Trust reporting person serves as one of three trustees and shares voting and investment power.
- 8. 60,880 shares held in Trust for the benefit of reporting person of which the reporting person serves as one of five trustees and shares voting and intestment power.
- 9. 30,000 shares held by trust for the benefit of an insider of Gibraltar Steel Corportion, of which the reporting person serves as one of five trustees and shares voting and investment power, and as to which shares he disclaims beneficial ownership.
- 10. 5,800 shares held by trust for the benefit of a child (Erica Rae Lipke) of an insider of Gibraltar Steel Corporation, which the reporting person serves as one of three trustees and shares voting and investment power and as to which shares he disclaims beneficial ownership.
- 11. 5,940 shares held by trust for the benefit of reporting person's daughter (Elissa Kristina).
- 12. 1,385 shares held by reporting person as custodian for relative under UGMANY (Jonathon Solomon).
- 13. 3,320.04 shares held in Gibraltar Steel Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan f/b/o reporting person.
- 14. Dummy date used to report holdings only.

- 15. Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under Gibraltar Steel Corporation Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan. Options exercisable at rate of 25% per year.
- 16. Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under Gibraltar Steel Corporation Incentive Stock Option Plan. Options exercisable at rate of 25% per year.
- 17. 51,965 shares of common stock held directly.
- 18.7,005 shares held by a trust for the benefit of reporting person's daughter (Katherine Victoria).
- 19. Represents reporting person's pecuniary interest in shares of Gibraltar Steeel Corporation common stock held by Rush Creek Investment co., LP. The reporting person disclaims beneficial interest in such shares, except to the extent of his beneficial interest.

<u>/s/Brian J. Lipke</u> <u>05/23/2003</u>

** 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).
- ** 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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