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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LAMBERT SANDRA L | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KADANT INC</u> [KAI] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
|--|---------|----------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | <u>-</u> | | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) | | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | X below) below) | | | | | |
| ONE ACTO SUITE 202 | · · · | (maaro) | 03/02/2004 | VP, Gen Counsel, Secretary | | | | | |
| | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) ACTON | MA | 01720 | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | Person | | | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transa Code (8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|---|--|--|
| | | | Code V Amount (A) or Price | | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130.4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2004 | | М | | 5,500 | A | \$12.89 | 12,014(1) | D | | |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2004 | | S | | 5,000 | D | \$20.6896 | 7,014(1) | D | | |
| Common Stock | 03/03/2004 | | М | | 5,000 | A | \$12.89 | 12,014(1) | D | | |
| Common Stock | 03/03/2004 | | S | | 5,000 | D | \$20.0748 | 7,014 ⁽¹⁾ | D | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | of Deri Sec Acq (A) Disj | oosed D) tr. 3, 4 | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right To Buy) | \$12.89 | 03/02/2004 | | М | | | 5,500 | 11/28/1994 | 11/28/2006 | Common Stock | 5,500 | \$0 | 12,000 | D | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right To Buy) | \$12.89 | 03/03/2004 | | М | | | 5,000 | 11/28/1994 | 11/28/2006 | Common Stock | 5,000 | \$0 | 7,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 1,666 shares acquired under the Kadant Employee Stock Purchase Plan on December 31, 2003.

Remarks:

THE TRANSACTIONS REPORTED ON THIS FORM 4 WERE EXECUTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING ARRANGEMENT DATED AUGUST 28, 2003.

Sandra L. Lambert

** Signature of Reporting Person

03/04/2004 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).

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