

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public  
Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940

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| <b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b><br><br><b>GABELLI ASSET MANAGEMENT<br/>INC ET AL</b><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><br><b>, ONE CORPORATE CENTER</b><br><br>(Street)<br><br><b>RYE, NY 10580</b><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | <b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b><br><br><b>CURTISS WRIGHT CORP<br/>[ CW.B ]</b> | <b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b><br>(Check all applicable)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Director <span style="float:right"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</span><br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <span style="float:right"><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)</span> |
| <b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)</b><br><br><p align="center"><b>10/4/2004</b></p>   |   | <b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing</b> (Check Applicable Line)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
| <b>4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed</b><br>(MM/DD/YYYY)   |   |  |

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

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |            |           | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(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     |   |  |   |
| Class B Common Stock               | 10/4/2004      |                                   | P                         |   | 2500  | A          | \$56.4165 | 81100   | I  | By: Investment Partnership (1)                        |
| Class B Common Stock               |                |                                   |                           |   |   |            |           | 3000  | I  | By: Investment Partnership (1)                        |
| Class B Common Stock               |                |                                   |                           |   |   |            |           | 18800   | I  | By: Investment Partnership (1)                        |
| Class B Common Stock               |                |                                   |                           |   |   |            |           | 5300  | I  | By: Investment Partnership (1)                        |
| Class B Common Stock               |                |                                   |                           |   |   |            |           | 778   | D (2)  |   |

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |     | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date |                 | 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 of Derivative Security: 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 |  |   |  |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

(1) The Reporting Persons have less than a 100% interest in this entity. The amount of securities reported as beneficially owned reflects the total amount of securities held by this entity, which is greater than the Reporting Persons' indirect pecuniary interests. The Reporting

Persons hereby disclaim beneficial ownership of these securities in excess of their indirect pecuniary interests.

- (2) These shares are owned by Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc. Mr. Gabelli has an indirect pecuniary interest in these shares and Gabelli Asset Management Inc. has no interest in these shares. Mr. Gabelli hereby disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his indirect pecuniary interest.

**Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GABELLI ASSET MANAGEMENT INC ET AL<br><br>ONE CORPORATE CENTER<br>RYE, NY 10580              |               | X         |         |       |
| GABELLI MARIO J<br>C/O GABELLI ASSET MANAGEMENT INC<br>ONE CORPORATE CENTER<br>RYE, NY 10580 |               | X         |         |       |
| GABELLI GROUP CAPITAL PARTNERS INC<br><br>140 GREENWICH AVE.<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830          |               | X         |         |       |

**Signatures**

/s/ James E. McKee, Attorney-in-Fact for MARIO J. GABELLI and Secretary of GABELLI ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. AND GABELLI GROUP CAPITAL PARTNERS, INC.

10/5/2004

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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