FORM 4

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* <u>LINGO IRVING E JR</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA CXW]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) below)			wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2004								,		ancial Office	r
(Street) NASHVILLE TN (City) (State)		37215 (Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Lin	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) 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. Transa Date (Month/D				Day/Year) i		2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Ins	on Dispose		es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		s F ally (I following (I	i. Ownership Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/\)	Co	ransaction code (Instr.		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)		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)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Co	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$29.95	02/17/2004		A	(1)		17,057		02/17/2005	02/17/2014	Common Stock	17,057	\$0	17,057	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$29.95	02/17/2004		A	(1)		17,058		02/17/2006	02/17/2014	Common Stock	17,058	\$0	17,058	D	
Employee Stock Options (Right to Purchase)	\$29.95	02/17/2004		A	(1)		17,058		02/17/2007	02/17/2014	Common Stock	17,058	\$0	17,058	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The Company granted to the reporting person the option to purchase up to 51,173 shares of its common stock, vesting over a three year period in equal increments.

Remarks:

Todd Mullenger

02/19/2004

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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