FORM 4

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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* SMITH THOMAS W					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SEI CORP [SEIC]										onship of all applica Director	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble) 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 323 RAILROAD AVENUE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2004										Officer (below)	give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) GREENWICH CT 06830				_ 4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(5	•	(Zip) hle I - Nor	n-Deri	ivativ	ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				sactio	2A. Deemed Execution Date,			e,	3. 4. Securitie Transaction Disposed (Code (Instr. 5)		ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5 5 6	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow Reported		Form:	Direct Indirect Istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	,	Amount	(A) or (D) Pri		1	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)	Execution Date,		Code (Instr.		of Ex		Exp	. Date Exercisable and xpiration Date Month/Day/Year)		e and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative S (Instr. 3 and		De Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A) (D)		Date Exe	e ercisable	Exp Dat	oiration e	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$28.9	05/25/2004			A		8,000		05/2	25/2011 ⁽¹⁾	05/	25/2014 ⁽¹⁾	Common Stock	8,000		\$0	8,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests upon the earlier of the Issuer's attainment of specific levels of earnings per share or seven years from the date of the grant. The option expires on the ten year anniversary of the date of the grant.

/s/ Thomas W. Smith

05/26/2004

** 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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