# INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF 

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| 1. Nam SMI | ress of R <br> OMA | Person* | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2004 | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SEI CORP [ SEIC ] |  |  |
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| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) |  | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |  | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |
| 323 RAILROAD AVENUE |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { X } & \text { Director } \\ & \text { Officer (give title } \\ \text { below) }\end{array}$ | 10\% Owner <br> Other (specify below) |  |
|  |  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |  |  |  |
| (Street) <br> GRE | CT | 06830 |  |  |  | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One |
| (City) |  | (Zip) |  |  |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) |  |  |  | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 1,100,000 | D |  |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 298,100 | I | By Smith Family Accounts ${ }^{(1)}$ |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 20,000 | I | By Prescott Capital Partners LP ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 2,784,114 | I | By Idoya Partners LP ${ }^{(3)}$ |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 2,408,805 | I | By Prescott Associates ${ }^{(4)}$ |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 163,900 | I | By Prescott International Partners ${ }^{(5)}$ |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 234,100 | I | By Prescott International Partners Profit Sharing Trust ${ }^{(6)}$ |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 65,000 | I | By the Thomas W. Smith Foundation ${ }^{(7)}$ |
| Common Stock |  |  |  | 40,000 | I | By Petra Capital Partners ${ }^{(8)}$ |

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |  | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) |  | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. <br> Ownership <br> Form: <br> Direct (D) <br> or Indirect <br> (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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|  | Date <br> Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or <br> Number <br> of <br> Shares |  |  |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares are owned directly by accounts established for the benefit of certain family members of the Reporting Person. The inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose and the Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein
2. These shares are owned directly by Prescott Capital Partners LP ("PCP"), a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of PCP. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for PCP is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830
3. These shares are owned directly by Idoya Partners ("Idoya"), a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of Idoya. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for Idoya is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830
4. These shares are owned directly by Prescott Associates, a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of Prescott Associates. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for Prescott Associates is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830
5. These shares are owned directly by Prescott International Partners ("PIP"), a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of PIP. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for PIP is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830
6. These shares are owned directly by the Prescott International Partners Profit Sharing Trust (the "Trust") and indirectly by the Reporting Person as trustee of the Trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-8(b)(2)(ii). The address for the Trust is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830
7. These shares are owned directly by the Thomas W. Smith Foundation ("Foundation"), a private charitable foundation, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as trustee of the Foundation. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-8(b)(2)(ii). The address for the Foundation is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830
8. These shares are owned directly by Petra Capital Partners ("Petra"), a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of Petra. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for Petra is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830
$\frac{\text { /s/ Thomas W. Smith }}{* * \text { Signature of Reporting Person }} \quad \frac{05 / 26 / 2004}{\text { Date }}$

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 5 (b)(v).
${ }^{* *}$ Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. $78 f(a)$.
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