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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** ROBINSON DAVID C	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Last) (First) (Middle)	EASTERN CO [EML] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)
112 BRIDGE STREET	(Month/Day/Year) 03/28/2005	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specification)
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date 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
NAUGATUCK, CT 06770 (City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A	Person Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock (1)	03/28/2005		A	283	A	\$ 21.71	35,104	D	
Common Stock							10,125	I	Trust u/w Kenneth V. Robinson

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified stock options (2)	\$ 9.92	09/17/1997		A	0	09/17/1997	10/17/2007	Common Stock	22,500
Non-qualified stock options (3)	\$ 14	09/09/1998		A	0	09/09/1998	10/09/2008	Common Stock	15,000
Non-qualified stock options	\$ 15.25	12/15/1999		A	0	12/15/1999	12/15/2010	Common Stock	12,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ROBINSON DAVID C 112 BRIDGE STREET NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	X					

Signatures

David C. Robinson, by John L. Sullivan III his attorney-in-fact 03/28/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) 283 shares acquired under The Eastern Company Director's Fee Program pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).
- Original 9/17/1997 option was for 15,000 shares at \$14.875 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 5/28/1999 this option became an option for 22,500 shares at \$9.92 per share.
- (3) Original 9/9/1998 option was for 10,000 shares at \$21.00 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 5/28/1999 this option is now 15,000 shares at \$14.00 per share.

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