

Keohane Sean D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Keohane Sean D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CABOT CORP [CBT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/19/2012

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President

C/O CABOT CORPORATION, TWO SEAPORT LANE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction 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)              |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |  |
| Common Stock                    | 03/19/2012                           |  | M                              | A   | \$ 60,000   | 77,491   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 03/19/2012                           |  | S                              | D   | \$ 43.25  | 17,491   | D  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 8,568.6875  | I  | Through the Trustees for the Corporation's Retirement Savings Plan |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | (2)   |  |  |

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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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount or Number of Shares                              |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 32.04   | 03/19/2012                           |  | M                              | 60,000  | <sup>(3)</sup> 05/07/2013                                | Common Stock 60,000   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer        | Other |
| Keohane Sean D<br>C/O CABOT CORPORATION<br>TWO SEAPORT LANE<br>BOSTON, MA 02210 |               |           | Vice President |       |

## Signatures

By: Karen Abrams, pursuant to a power of attorney from Sean D. Keohane

03/20/2012

\_\_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).

- The price reported is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$42.85 to
- (1) \$43.56, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Corporation or any security holder of the Corporation, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
  - (2) Reflects retirement plan contributions by the Corporation, including contributions that have occurred since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.

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(3) The option vested on May 8, 2011.

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