Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KEY DERRICK N</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROPER INDUSTRIES INC /DE/ [ROP]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) 145 REN	(F IFREW DR	•	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/04/2004								Office below			Other below	(specify)	
(Street)	6 G.	A	30605		4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								G. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicatine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				son	
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											1 Clauri					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Exe Year) if ar		A. Deemed kecution Date, any lonth/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5)			5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo Reported	y	6. Owner Form: I (D) or In (I) (Inst	Direct I ndirect I r. 4)	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transactio	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(11511. 4)		
Common	Stock			05/04/2004				A		10,000	A	\$11.5	5 44,0	44,028)			
Common Stock			05/04/2004				S		9,800	D	\$50.3	34,2	34,228)				
Common Stock			05/04/2004		4		S		200	D	\$50.5	5 34,0	34,028)				
Common	Stock	·k												19,6	19,679			By 401(k) Plan	
Common	Stock													208,0	208,099.8		1)]	By Key Family Trust	
Common Stock												256,5	256,593.2		1)]	By Key Family Partnership			
Common	Stock													30	0	I(1)]	By Spouse	
Common Stock												80	800		1)	By Spouse as Custodian For Minor Children			
		7	Table II								oosed of, convertil			ly Owned					
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. Transa Code (i 8)	ction	5. Number ion of			Exerc on Da	sable and 7. Title and Amo		nd Amour ties ng e Securit	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numbe of Shares	per					
Options (right to buy)	\$11.5	05/04/2004			M			10,000	10/14/1	.994	10/13/2004	Common Stock	10,00	0 \$0	225	,334	D		

Explanation of Responses:

Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all such shares.

Remarks:

<u>Derrick N. Key, by Martin S.</u> <u>Headley, his attorney-in-fact</u> <u>pursuant to Power of Attorney</u> <u>dated March 3, 2004.</u>

05/04/2004

** 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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