## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ress of Reporting F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ESCO TECHNOLOGIES INC</u> [ ESE ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner
,				X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
(Last) (First) ESCO TECHNOLOGIES 8888 LADUE ROAD		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2004	V.P., Secretary & Gen. Coun.
8888 LADUE	KUAD		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable
(0)====+)				Line)
(Street) ST. LOUIS	МО	63124		X Form filed by One Reporting Person
		03124		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(insu: 4)
Common Stock	05/05/2004		Α		1,800	Α	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	45,933	D	

 
 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$49.505	05/05/2004		A		2,800		(2)	05/05/2009	Common Stock	2,800	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	2,800	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Not applicable

2. The option vests as follows: 05/05/2005 - 933 shares; 05/05/2006 - 933; 05/05/2007 - 934

Alyson S. Barclay

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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