

COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GOADBY DAVID J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC [CMP]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC, 9900 WEST 109TH STREET, SUITE 600**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/08/2012**

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Vice President**

(Street)  
**OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210**

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

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/08/2012		S		2,500	D	70.84 <u>(1)</u>
							\$ 28,166

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
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0					03/10/2012	03/10/2012	Common Stock	2,756
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0					03/10/2013	03/10/2013	Common Stock	1,974
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0					03/10/2014	03/10/2014	Common Stock	1,793
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.69					01/23/2007	01/23/2013	Common Stock	14,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.44					03/12/2008	03/12/2014	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.12					03/10/2009	03/10/2015	Common Stock	8,071
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 58.99					03/10/2010	03/10/2016	Common Stock	8,453
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 78.51					03/10/2011	03/10/2017	Common Stock	5,524
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 86.47					03/10/2012	03/10/2018	Common Stock	3,407
Performance Share Unit	\$ 0					03/10/2013	03/10/2013	Common Stock	509
Performance Share Unit	\$ 0					03/10/2014	03/10/2014	Common Stock	1,066

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOADBY DAVID J C/O COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC 9900 WEST 109TH STREET, SUITE 600 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210			Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Robert E. Marsh as  
Attorney-in-Fact

03/09/2012

\_\_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).

(1) The 2,500 shares were traded in two blocks ranging in price from \$70.8400 to \$70.8410. Information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer.

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