COOPER COMPANIES INC

Form 4

October 31, 2005

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WELCH JAMES M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

COOPER COMPANIES INC [COO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O OCULAR SCIENCES

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

INC. 1855 GATEWAY BLVD STE 700

10/27/2005

below)

Vice President Intl Ops - CVI

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CONCORD, CA 94520

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

or

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 67.65	10/27/2005	10/27/2005	A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	10/26/2015	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WELCH JAMES M C/O OCULAR SCIENCES INC 1855 GATEWAY BLVD STE 700 CONCORD, CA 94520

Vice President Intl Ops - CVI

Signatures

Reporting Person

James M. Welch 10/28/2005

**Signature of 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 option vests if the Company's stock price achieves certain targets within specified timeframes as follows: one-fourth shall vest if Fair Market Value of the Company's stock achieves \$75.77, but not earlier than 5/1/06; one-fourth shall vest if Fair Market Value of the

(1) Company's stock achieves \$81.18, but not earlier than 5/1/07; one-fourth shall vest if the Fair Market Value of the Company's stock achieves \$87.95 but not earlier than 5/1/08; and one-fourth shall vest if the Fair Market Value of the Company's stock achieves \$94.71 but not earlier than 5/1/09. All options not otherwise vesting pursuant to the above timetable shall become exercisable on October 26, 2010.

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