FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* PLATTS DAVID E | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HURCO COMPANIES INC [HURC] | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
|--|--|---------------------|---|------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------|-------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|-------------------------|
| (Last) ONE TE | (Fi CHNOLOG | , | Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2004 | | | | | | | |) | | er (give title | | 10% Owner Other (specify below) | |
| (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46268 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If <i>A</i> | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. and 5) | | rities Acc ed Of (D) | | | 5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned | ties cially | Forn (D) o | ect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) | or Pr | rice | | | | г. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 11/16/2 | | | | | | 004 11/16/2 | | /2004 | М | | 5,00 | 0 A | \$ | 5.12: | 5 1: | 5,700 | | 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 | se (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D | | 4. Transac Code (Ir 8) | | ion Number E | | 6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (II and 4) | | () | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. | Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | | | Code | de V (A) | | (D) | Date Exercisable | Date E Exercisable D | | Title | or Num of Shar | | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$5.125 | 11/16/2004 | 11/1 | 11/16/2004 | | | | 5,000 | 07/08/1997 ⁽ | (1) 07 | 7/08/2006 | Common Stock | 5,00 | 00 | \$5.125 | 0 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares vest in five equal installments on July 8, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ David E. Platts</u> <u>11/16/2004</u>

** 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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