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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BRISIMITZAKIS ANGELO C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

9900 WEST 109TH STREET, SUITE 600

(Street)

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/20/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ 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. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/20/2010		M		35,000	A	$ 26.52	69,360	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2010		S		35,000	D	$ 70.95 (1)	34,360	D	
Common Stock								330 (2)	I	Company 401 (k) Plan

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	$ 0							03/10/2011	03/10/2011	Common Stock	9,7
Restricted Stock Unit	$ 0							03/10/2012	03/10/2012	Common Stock	12,6
Restricted Stock Unit	$ 0							03/10/2013	03/10/2013	Common Stock	10,1
Stock Opton (Right to Buy)	$ 26.52	08/20/2010		M			35,000	05/11/2007	05/11/2013	Common Stock	35,0
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 33.44							03/12/2008	03/12/2014	Common Stock	48,0
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 55.12							03/10/2009	03/10/2015	Common Stock	30,9
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 58.99							03/10/2010	03/10/2016	Common Stock	38,8
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 78.51							03/10/2011	03/10/2017	Common Stock	28,5
Performance Share Unit	$ 0							03/10/2013	03/10/2013	Common Stock	1,9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRISIMITZAKIS ANGELO C 9900 WEST 109TH STREET SUITE 600 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210		X	Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Robert E. Marsh as Attorney-in-Fact	08/24/2010
**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 35,000 shares were traded in blocks ranging in price from $71.25 to $70.16. $70.95 is the weighted average price. 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.

(2) The information in this report is based on a 401(k) plan statement dated as of 08/19/10.

(3) This transaction is the exercise of a derivative security. See column 2 for the exercise price.

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