

COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC
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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 *
 CLARK KEITH E

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 W. 109TH ST.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/20/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, General Manager

(Street)
 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	Price			
Common Stock	10/20/2005	10/20/2005	M		6,000	A \$ 1.4	128,504	D	
Common Stock	10/20/2005		S		6,000	D \$ 22.3199	122,504	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2005	10/21/2005	M		6,769	A \$ 1.4	129,273	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2005		S		6,769	D \$ 22.3993	122,504	D	

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.4	10/20/2005		M	6,000	⁽¹⁾ 12/29/2009	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.4	10/21/2005		M	6,769	⁽¹⁾ 12/29/2009	Common Stock	6,769

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CLARK KEITH E C/O COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC. 9900 W. 109TH ST. OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210			VP, General Manager	

Signatures

By: /s/ Gary T. Eastman as Attorney-In-Fact 10/21/2005

**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) 24,403 shares are vested and exercisable and 26,676 shares vest on November 29, 2005.

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