

STERN JAMES A  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
STERN JAMES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WESCO INTERNATIONAL INC  
[WCC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/28/2004

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O THE CYPRESS GROUP  
L.L.C., 65 E. 55TH STREET, 28TH FLOOR

(Street)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(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)
Common Stock	12/28/2004		S	967,680 D	\$ 25.07 12,431,663	I	See <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	12/28/2004		S	50,120 D	\$ 25.07 643,873	I	See <u>(2)</u>

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STERN JAMES A C/O THE CYPRESS GROUP L.L.C. 65 E. 55TH STREET, 28TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	X	X		

## Signatures

/s/ James A. Stern 12/28/2004

\*\*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) As a member of The Cypress Group L.L.C., which is the general partner of Cypress Associates L.P., which is a general partner of Cypress Merchant Banking Partners L.P. and Cypress Offshore Partners L.P., the Reporting Person may be deemed, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") to be a "ten percent beneficial owner" of shares of Common Stock directly held by Cypress Merchant Banking Partners L.P. However, pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2) promulgated under the Act, the Reporting Person disclaims that he is the beneficial owner of such Common Stock.
- (2) As a member of The Cypress Group L.L.C., which is the general partner of Cypress Associates L.P., which is a general partner of Cypress Merchant Banking Partners L.P. and Cypress Offshore Partners L.P., the Reporting Person may be deemed, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") to be a "ten percent beneficial owner" of shares of Common Stock directly held by Cypress Offshore Partners L.P. However, pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2) promulgated under the Act, the Reporting Person disclaims that he is the beneficial owner of such Common Stock.

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