FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PUTH JOHN W						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FOSTER L B CO [fstr]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
PUTH JOHN W						[]								X	Directo	or		10% Ov	vner	
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/13/2003									Officer (give title below)			Other (specify below)		
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Sileel)															X Form filed by One Reporting Person				n	
(City) (State) (Zip)															Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				rting	
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ar) l	2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	mount (A) or (D)		rice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 05/13/						2003		A		2,500 A			0	50	50,246		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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	Code (of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		. Date Exercisabl xpiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)		E	. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	derivative Securitie	e es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Shai	ber						
Option to Buy	4.23	05/13/2003			A		5,000		05/13/200	3 0	5/12/2013	Commor	5,0	00	\$ ₀	55,000 ⁰	(2)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Issued to filer for services as Director
- 2. Cumulative total of stock options

John W. Puth

05/13/2003

** 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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