FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BLOOM BRADLEY M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARTERS INC [CRI]									5. Relationship of Reporti (Check all applicable) X Director			10% (Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERKSHIRE PARTNERS LLC						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/24/2003									Officer (give title below)			Other below	(specify ')
ONE BOSTON PLACE, SUITE 3300 (Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
BOSTON MA 02108														Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)																
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Execution Date,						es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	٧	Amount	(A) (D)	or Prid	се	Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(111341. 4)
Common Stock 10/24/20						03		S		1,763,980	6 [\$	519	18,566,479		I		By affiliated investment entities ⁽¹⁾	
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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date (Month/Day/Year) if any			on Date,	ate, Transac Code (Ir				6. Date Expirati (Month)	ion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares						

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares are beneficially owned by or through certain affiliated investment entities. The Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership of any shares in which he does not have a pecuniary interest.

/s/ Bradley M. Bloom

10/27/2003

** 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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