FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KIRCHNER KING P | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNIT CORP [UNT] | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|-----------------|---|---|---|--|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (Firs | , | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2004 | | | | | | | | Officer (give to below) | title | tle Other (specify below) | | | | | |
| 7130 SOUTH LEWIS | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
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| (City) | (Sta | te) (Z | ip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | - Nor | | | | | Acq | uired, Dis _l | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day/ | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5) | | | | Fo (D | . Ownershi orm: Direct 0) or Indirec) (Instr. 4) | of Indired | et il | | | | |
| | | | | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (instr. 4) | | | | | |
| | 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. Transac Code (I 8) | | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | ate | 7. Title a Amount Securiti Underly Derivati Security and 4) | of es ing | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | deriva Secur Benef Owne Follow Repor | ative rities ficially ed wing rted saction(s) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amoun or Numbe of Shares | r | | | | | |
| 2004 Non- Employee Option | \$28.23 | 05/06/2004 | 11/ | 06/2004 | A | | 3,500 | | 11/06/2004 ⁽¹⁾ | 05/06/2014 | Commo Stock | a,500 | \$28.23 | 3, | 3,500 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

 $1. \ This \ option \ vests \ six \ months \ after \ the \ date \ of \ grant.$

By: By Mark E. Schell under

05/07/2004

<u>POA</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $\label{eq:Reminder:Report} \textit{Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.}$

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