

SULLIVAN JOHN L III
 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 *
 SULLIVAN JOHN L III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 EASTERN CO [EML]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 112 BRIDGE STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/25/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice President & CFO

NAUGATUCK, CT 06770

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 04/25/2011 | | M | 4,000 A \$ 9.6 | 35,411 | D | |

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)

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| 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. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|----|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Qualified employee stock option ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 9.6 | 04/25/2011 | | M | | 0 | | <u>(1)</u> | 04/26/2011 | Common Stock | 4,000 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|---|--|----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| SULLIVAN JOHN L III 112 BRIDGE STREET NAUGATUCK, CT 06770 | <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Director</td> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">10% Owner</td> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Officer</td> <td>Other</td> </tr> </table> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Vice President & CFO</p> | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

Signatures

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| /s/John L. Sullivan III | 04/27/2011 |
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**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).

The original 4/26/2001 option was for 15,000 shares at \$14.40 per share. 5,800 shares were vested on 1/1/2004; 6,944 shares were vested on 1/1/2005; and the remaining 2,256 shares were vested on 1/1/2006. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006 this option (1) is now for 22,500 shares at \$9.60 per share. On October 28, 2010 1,000 shares were exercised, on November 4, 2010 2,000 shares were exercised, on November 9, 2010 4,000 shares were exercised, on December 1, 2010 7,500 shares were exercised and on January 3, 2011 4,000 shares were exercised at \$9.60 per share and April 25, 2011 4,000 shares were exercised leaving a zero balance.

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