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* HINES EARL R						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES & COLVARD LTD [CTHR]									ck all applic	cable)	g Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CHARLES & COLVARD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2004									- ·	below)		nufac	below)	peony	
3800 GATEWAY BLVD, SUITE 310						If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) MORRISVILLE NC 27560													Line)						
(City)	City) (State) (Zip)																			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution I			Date,	Code (I	ction Disposed		ties Acquired (A) I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Securitie Beneficia Owned F	Securities For Beneficially (D)		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pr		Price	Transact		(111501.4)					
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)	Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	i	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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stock option (right to buy)	\$4.43	03/10/2004			A		25,000		(1)	0	3/10/2014	Common Stock	25	,000	\$0	25,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. One-Half of these options vest on the day of grant and the remaining options vest on 12/31/04

Earl Hines

03/12/2004

** 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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