FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CONTIS DAVID J						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  MACERICH CO [ MAC ]										all app Direct	olicable) ctor er (give title	Other	Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) THE MACERICH COMPANY 401 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD #700						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2004									A below) below) EVP & Chief Operating Officer				
(Street) SANTA MONICA CA 90401  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If										. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative/	Se	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	ally (	Owne	ed		
Date					ate Ex lonth/Day/Year) if		A. Deemed Execution Date, fany Month/Day/Year)		Code (	Transaction Code (Instr. 5		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			4 and Secur Benef		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
										v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111341. 4)
COMMON STOCK 03/31/					3/31/2004						11,13	11,131 A		\$	\$0 129,593		29,593	<b>D</b> <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	
		Та	ble II - D								sed of, onvertib				y Ov	vned			
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, Transaction Code (Instr.		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)					9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	or Nun of	nber					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 61,928 of such shares are held by The Contis Trust, of which Mr. Contis and his wife are co-trustees.
- 2. 2,600 shares are also held by reporting person as custodian for three children. In addition, 600 shares are separately held by his wife. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his wife and children, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.

Richard A. Bayer for DAVID J. 04/02/2004 **CONTIS** 

\*\* 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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