## FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person – KEELEY LAWRENCE W					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]							rw1	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2004								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  President, Graphic Systems Div						
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							_X_ Fo	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X. Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui							Acquired,	Disposed	of, or Bene	eficially Owner	d		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Yea	if Transaction Code		n of Deriva Securit Acquir (A) or Dispos (D)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	
					Code V (		(A)	(A) (D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option	\$ 36.03	11/16/2004			A		12,000	000	11/16/2007		7 11/16/2014	Class A Common Stock	12,000	\$ 36.03	12,000	D	
Repor	ting O	wners															
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Reporting Owner Name / Address  Director 10% Owner  KEELEY LAWRENCE W					Officer President, Graphic Systems					Oth	er						
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### **Explanation of Responses:**

Lawrence W. Keeley, Jr.

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

11/17/2004

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