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* <u>LIPKE MEREDITH A</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GIBRALTAR STEEL CORP [ Rock ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director  Officer (give title Other (specify))					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3556 LAKE SHORE RD P O BOX 2028						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2004									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President				
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(Street) BUFFALO NY 14219-0228															X Form	filed by N		orting Pers	
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)												Perso	11			
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	es Ac	quire	d, D	isposed o	of, or Be	enefic	cial	ly Owne	d			
[				Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Disposed C	s Acquired (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		nd	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	irect Indirect B	Nature of direct eneficial wnership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an			(1)	nstr. 4)
Common	stock			06/02/2	2004				J <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$28	8	472,9	81	I	В	y Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Common	stock			06/02/2	2004				J <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$27.	77	471,9	81	I	В	y Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Common	stock			06/02/2	2004				J <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$27.	75	470,9	81	I	В	y Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
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Common stock			06/02/2004				J <sup>(1)</sup>		198.5	D	\$27.	\$27.77		94.5			ush reek <sup>(3)</sup>		
Common	stock			06/02/2	2004				J <sup>(1)</sup>		198.5	D	\$27.	75	119,6	96	I		ush reek <sup>(3)</sup>
Common stock														630.8	32	Ι	S C 4 S	tibraltar teel orporation 01(k) avings lan <sup>(4)</sup>	
Common stock															7,10	5	D		
Common stock															29,08	30	I	В	y Trust <sup>(5)</sup>
Common stock															5,32	5	I	В	y Trust <sup>(6)</sup>
Common stock															5,60	5	I	В	y Trust <sup>(7)</sup>
Common stock														30,00	00	I	В	y Trust <sup>(8)</sup>	
Common	stock														60,880		I	I By Trust <sup>(9)</sup>	
		7	able II								posed of converti				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	1. Title of Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Transaction Execution Date, Transa Code (I		saction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Yo		isable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Option to buy <sup>(10)</sup>	\$21.75								07/08/1	998	07/08/2007	Common stock	2,50	00		2,5	00	D	
Option to buy <sup>(11)</sup>	\$15.625								10/08/1	999	10/07/2008	Common stock	2,50	00		2,5	00	D	

	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)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Sect Acqu (A) of Disp of (D		osed ) r. 3, 4	Expiration Da	Date Exercisable and cpiration Date Individual (piration Date Ionth/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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	Amount or Number of Shares				
ľ	Option to buy <sup>(11)</sup>	\$14.07							07/18/2001	07/18/2010	Common stock	2,500		2,500	D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Sale of securities pursuant to a pre-arranged stock trading plan established pursuant to Rule 10b5-1.
- 2. Represents shares held by a trust for the benefit of reporting person, of which she serves as one of three trustees and shares voting and investment power.
- 3. Shares held indirectly representing the pecuniary interest of reporting person in shares of Gibraltar Steel Corporation common stock held by Rush Creek Investment Co., LP. The reporting person disclaims beneficial interest in such shares, except to the extent of his beneficial interest.
- 4. Represents shares held in Gibraltar Steel 401(k) Savings Plan f/b/o reporting person.
- 5. Represents shares held by trust for the benefit of reporting person.
- ${\bf 6}.$  Represents shares held by reporting person's daughter under UGMANY.
- 7. Represents shares held by a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's daughter of which trust the reporting person serves as one of four trustees and shares voting and investment power.
- 8. Represents shares held by trust for the benefit of the reporting person of which trust she serves as one of five trustees and shares voting and investment power.
- 9. Represents shares held by trust for the benefit of an insider of Gibraltar Steel Corporation of which trust reporting person serves as one of five trustees and shares voting and investment power and as to which shares she disclaims beneficial ownership.
- 10. Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Gibraltar Steel Corporation Non-qualified Stock Option Plan. Options are exercisable at the rate of 25% per year.
- 11. Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Gibraltar Steel Corporation Incentive Stock Option Plan. The options are exercisable at the rate of 25% per year.

/s/Janet N. Gabel, Attorney in 06/03/2004 Fact for Meredith A. Lipke

\*\* 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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## MEREDITH A. LIPKE

### LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Gerald S. Lippes and Janet N. Gabel, each acting individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority as hereinafter described on behalf of and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned to:

- (1) prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver and file Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) with respect to the securities of Gibraltar Steel Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, any national securities exchanges and the Company, as considered necessary or advisable under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act");
- (2) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to each of the undersigned's attorneys-in-fact appointed by this Power of Attorney and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (3) perform any and all other acts which in the discretion of such attorney-in-fact are necessary or desirable for and on behalf of the undersigned in connection with the foregoing.

The undersigned acknowledges that:

- (1) this Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, each such attorney-in-fact to act in their discretion on information provided to such attorney-in-fact without independent verification of such information;
- (2) any documents prepared and/or executed by either such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney will be in such form and will contain such information and disclosure as such attorney-in-fact, in his or her discretion, deems necessary or desirable;
- (3) neither the Company nor either of such attorneys-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act; and
- (4) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

The undersigned hereby gives and grants each of the foregoing attorneys-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the foregoing matters as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if present, hereby ratifying all that each such attorney-in-fact of, for and on behalf of the undersigned, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Limited Power of Attorney.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the use 2003.	ndersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this	day of August
Meredith A. Lipke		
STATE OF NEW YORK SS:		
COUNTY OF		
appeared Meredith A. Lipke, personally whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to	the year 2003, before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for sail known to me or provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executis/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s) or the personal he instrument.	e the individual(s uted the same ir
	Notary Public	

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to each such attorney-in-fact.