

GRANT RICHARD S  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
GRANT RICHARD S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
COMPASS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL INC [CMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/30/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

8224 BALD EAGLE LANE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WILMINGTON, NC 28411

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	10/30/2009		M		3,000	A	\$ 16.66
Common Stock	11/02/2009		M		10,000	A	\$ 16.66
Common Stock	11/02/2009		S		2,739	D	\$ 62.13
Common Stock	11/02/2009		M		11,500	A	\$ 16.66
Common Stock	11/02/2009		S		11,500	D	\$ 62.99

Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	6,967	I	Directors Deferred Compensation Plan
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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)

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title      Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.66	10/30/2009		M	3,000	04/08/2004      05/08/2012	Common Stock      34,367
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (Common Stock)	\$ 16.66	11/02/2009		M	10,000	04/08/2004      05/08/2012	Common Stock      31,367
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (Common Stock)	\$ 16.66	11/02/2009		M	11,500	04/08/2004      05/08/2012	Common Stock      21,367

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
	X			

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## Signatures

/s/ Robert E. Marsh as  
Attorney-in-Fact

11/03/2009

\_\_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).

(1) Does not represent a current change but is listed for completeness of holding information.

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