FORM 4

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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* Meche, Kirk J.		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	Statement for (Month/Day/Year	6. Relationship of	of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (N 583 Thompson Road	(Middle)	Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc.	12/05/2002	_ Director _ 10 X Officer (give til			
(Street)		I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity	5. If Amendment, Date of Original	Description <u>Vice President Operations</u>			
(City) (State)	(Zip)	(voluntary)	(Month/Day/Year)	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
				X Form filed by Form filed by	One Reporting Person More than One Reporting Person		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned													
(Instr. 3) D	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	or Disposed Of (D)	Reported Transaction(s)	6. Owner-ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
			Code	V	Amount	A/D	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr		5. Number Derivative Securitie Acquired (, or Dispo (D) (Instr. 3,	es A) osed Of	6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (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. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Securities: Direct (D) or	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4)
				Code	V	A	D	DE	ED	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			Indirect (I) (Instr.4)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.63	12/05/2002		A		10,000		12/05/2003 (a)	12/05/2012	Common Stock	10,000	None	10,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(a) Exercisable in annual increments equal to 20% of the total number of options beginning on 12/05/2003 and on the next four subsequent one year anniversaries.

/s/ Kirk J. Meche

Date:

01/27/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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