

GRANT RICHARD S

Form 4

December 16, 2009

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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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)

8224 BALD EAGLE LANE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/14/2009

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

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)
Common Stock	12/14/2009		A	28 ⁽¹⁾	A \$ 67.71	6,995	I Directors Deferred Compensation Plan
Common Stock	12/14/2009		A	9 ⁽²⁾	A \$ 68.19	7,004	I Directors Deferred Compensation Plan
Common Stock						13,261	D

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)		8. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (Common Stock)	\$ 16.66					04/08/2004	05/08/2012	Common Stock	9,867	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
GRANT RICHARD S 8224 BALD EAGLE LANE WILMINGTON, NC 28411	X

Signatures

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

12/16/2009

**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).

Dividend equivalents on deferred stock units awarded before April 1, 2008 are determined under the 2004 Directors' Deferred

(1) Compensation Plan, as restated and amended, based on the average of the high and low trading price for Company stock for the date immediately preceding the dividend date.

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- (2) Dividend equivalents on deferred stock units awarded on and after April 1, 2008 are determined under Independent Director Deferred Stock Award Agreements, based on the closing price of Company stock for the first trading date immediately prior to the dividend date.

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