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Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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See Instruction 1(b)

Person* (1	Name and Address of Reporting Person* (Last, First, Middle) Closser, Jerry		2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Celadon Group, Inc. CLDN	3.	I.R.S. Identification Number of Reportin Person, if an entity (Voluntary)				
One Celade	on Drive		4.	Statement for (Month/Day/Year) January 2003	5.	If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)				
(Street)			6.	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7.	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
Indianapol	is, IN 46235		_	O Director O 10% Owner		X	Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Executive Vice President - Fleet Maintenance 		O	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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Reminder:	Report on a sen	arate line for e	each class of s	securities beneficial	ly owned directly or indirectly.

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

	Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1.	Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2.					Securities or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (D)	5.	Amount of 6. Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7.	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price					
	Common Stock		1/27/03				P	2,000	A	\$8.00		46,883	D		
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$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Table II} & \textbf{Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ & (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

l .	Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2.	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3.	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3a.	Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4.	Transacti 6 n Code (Instr. 8)	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)
			Security							CodeV (A)(D)
										Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) \$8.00 8/10/99 5,000
										Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) \$5.00 1/4/01 20,000
										Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) \$3.85 9/7/01 10,000
										Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) \$3.84 10/1/01 2,500
										Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) \$6.41 4/4/02 30,000
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Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			8.	3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10.	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
(1)	8/10/09		Common Stock	5,000						D	
(1)	1/4/11		Common Stock	20,000						D	
(1)	9/7/11		Common Stock	10,000						D	
(1)	10/1/11		Common Stock	2,500						D	
(1)	4/4/12		Common Stock	30,000				67,500		D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Options will become exercisable 1/3 per year each anniversary date of the grant date for three years, respectively.

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/S/ Jerry Closser	1/28/03	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

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