PURKAIT BOBBY Form 4 November 15, 2002

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Purkait, Bobby

2. Issuer Name and Tickler or Trading Symbol

Mentor Corporation ("MNTR")

| 6. | Relationship of Rep | porting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable |
|------------|---------------------|---|
| | _ Director | 10% Owner |
| _ X | Officer (give title | e below) |
| | _ Other (specify be | elow) |

| Senior Vice President, Science Technology and New Business Development | | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) 201 Mentor Drive | | |
| 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary) | | |
| Statement for Month/Day/Year November 13, 2002 | | |
| (Street) Santa Barbara, CA 93111 | | |
| 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year) | | |
| 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| (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) | | |
| Code | | |
| V | | |
| Amount | | |
| (A) or (D) | | |
| Price | | |
| | | |

Common Stock

11/13/02 11/13/02 M

| 7,500 A \$6.75 | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | | | |
| | | | |
| D | | | |
| | | | |
| Common Stock 11/13/02 11/13/02 | | | |
| S | | | |
| | | | |
| 3,500 D | | | |
| \$40.00 | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| D | | | |
| | | | |
| Common Stock 11/13/02 11/13/02 S | | | |
| | | | |
| 4,000 | | | |
| D | | | |
| \$40.015 | | | |
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| D | | | |
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 $\label{eq:continuous} \begin{tabular}{l} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

| 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/Ye | ear) | | |
| 4.Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | | | |
| 5.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | | |
| 6.Date Exerciseable and Expiration Date (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 S | ecurities Beneficial | ly Owned Following | Reported Transaction(s) | (Instr. 4) |
| 10.Ownership Form of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| 11.Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| | | | Code | |
| | | | V | |
| | | | (A) | |
| | | | (D) | |

Date Exercisable

Expiration Date

Title

Amount or Number of Shares

Option, Right to Buy

\$6.75

11/13/02

M

7,500

4/15/95

4/15/04

Common Stock

7,500

0

204,500

| Explanation of Responses: | |
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| **Signature of Reporting Person November 13, 2002 | |
| 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 $4(b)(v)$. | * |
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| Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a). | |
| | Note: |
| File three copies of this Form, on of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, <i>see</i> Instruction 6 for procedure | |