

White Albert G III
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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 *
 White Albert G III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 COOPER COMPANIES INC [COO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 6140 STONERIDGE MALL
 RD., SUITE 590
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/10/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP Investor Rel. & Treasurer

PLEASANTON, CA 94588
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.21	12/10/2008			A		17,500		<u>(1)</u>	12/09/2018	Common Stock	17,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.1	12/11/2008			A		30,000		<u>(2)</u>	12/10/2018	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
White Albert G III 6140 STONERIDGE MALL RD. SUITE 590 PLEASANTON, CA 94588			VP Investor Rel. & Treasurer	

Signatures

/s/ Albert G.
White III

12/11/2008

**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) 12/10/08 NQ Grant: The options will vest in equal increments over four years measured from the date of grant as follows: 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/09; 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/10; 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/11; and 1/4 shall vest on 12/10/12.

(2) 12/11/08 NQ Grant: The options will vest in equal increments over five years measured from the date of grant as follows: 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/09; 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/10; 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/11; 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/12; and 1/5 shall vest on 12/11/13.

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