## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>NORVILLE E MITCHELL</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON PROPERTIES INC [ BXP ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC. 111 HUNTINGTON AVENUE		, INC.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2004	X Onler (give the Source (specify below) below) Senior Vice President
(Street) BOSTON (City)	MA (State)	02199 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>

## 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)	Code (		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)

# 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
LTIP Units	(1)	01/30/2004		A		6,496		(1)(2)	(1)	Common Stock	6,496	\$0.25	6,496	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents units of limited partnership interest in Boston Properties Limited Partnership (BPLP), of which the Issuer is the general partner, issued as long term incentive compensation pursuant to the Issuer's equity based compensatory programs. Conditioned upon minimum allocations to the capital accounts of the LTIP Units for federal income tax purposes, each LTIP Unit may be converted, at the election of the holder, into a common unit of limited partnership interest in BPLP (Common OP Unit). Each Common OP Unit acquired upon conversion of a LTIP Unit may be presented for redemption, at the election of the holder, for cash equal to the then fair market value of a share of the Issuer's Common Stock, except that the Issuer may, at its election as directed by BPLP, acquire each Common OP Unit so presented for one share of Common Stock.

2. LTIP Units vest over five years, 0% in first two years, 25% on February 1, 2007, 35% on February 1, 2008 and 40% on February 1, 2009.

#### Remarks:

Kelli A. DiLuglio, as attorney-02/02/2004

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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