FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MATHEWS ERIC N					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP [ CINF ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/14/2004									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  VICE PRESIDENT						
(Street) FAIRFIELD OH 45014-5141				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2004								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting								
(City) (State) (Zip)												Person								
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y				Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Of Code (Instr. 5)		s Acquired (A) or If (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow Reported		Form: Di		irect Indired		ficial ership				
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and						,	
Common Stock 09/15/2				2004	004 09/15/2004		M	V	1,000	A	\$19.5	2	20,204	)4 <sup>(1)</sup>		D				
Common	Stock			09/14/2	2004	09	/14/2	2004	J <sup>(2)</sup>	V	0	D	\$0		605(1)		I (		CHI	LDREN
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ercise (Month/Day/Year) of ative		Execution Date, if any		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 Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		ty Deri	Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Secu General Secu Owne Follor Repo Trans (Instr		ties cially I ring ted action(s)	10. Owners Form: Direct ( or Indii (I) (Inst	(D) rect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	or Numb of Share	er						
Stock Option	\$19.52	09/15/2004	09/	15/2004	<b>M</b> <sup>(3)</sup>			1,000	04/06/1	1997	04/06/2006	Common Stock	1,00	10 \$1	19.52	11,600 <sup>(1)</sup>		D		
Stock Option	\$21.39								04/05/1	1998	04/05/2007	Common Stock	3,15	60		3,150		D		
Stock Option	\$28.3								01/25/2	2001	01/25/2010	Common Stock	15,75	50		15,750		750 D		
Stock Option	\$32.14								01/27/2	2000	01/27/2009	Common Stock	4,20	0		4,200		) D		
Stock Option	\$32.26								08/24/1	1999	08/24/2008	Common Stock	2,10	0		2,	2,100			
Stock Option	\$34.08								02/01/2	2004	02/01/2013	Common Stock	5,25	0		5,	5,250			
Stock Option	\$34.46								01/31/2	2002	01/31/2011	Common Stock	5,25	0		5,	5,250 Г			
Stock Option	\$36.71								01/28/2	2003	01/28/2012	Common Stock	5,25	0		5,250		D		
Stock Option	\$40.82								02/07/1	1999	02/07/2008	Common Stock	3,15	0		3,	150 D			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$40.75								01/19/2	2005	01/19/2014	Common Stock	5,25	60		5,	250	D		_

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Share amounts have been adjusted for a 5% Stock Dividend, record date April 30, 2004, paid June 15, 2004.
- 2. The stock was not disposed of, but transferred to a brokerage account.
- 3. He exercised 1,000 shares from his option, and was input as an acquisition instead of a disposition.

**ERIC N MATHEWS** 

09/15/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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