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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *- MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TEGAL CORP /DE/ [TGAL]								5. R	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner				
				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2004										ve title below)		Other (specify	pelow)
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10022				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)								_X_ F	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm 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)]	Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		if Co	Transa ode nstr. 8)	(4. Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D))		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership
							Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price					(I) (Instr. 4)			
Common Sto	ock	(01/08/2004				S		57,600 (<u>1)</u>	D	\$ 3.4055	6,474	1,609 <u>(1</u>	1		I (1)	By Limited Partnerships (1)
			Table II -	- Derivativ				a cu	rrently sposed	valid O of, or Be	MB cor	ntrol n	umber.	d unless ti	he form dis	splays	
Derivative Conversion Date				if Transaction of Der ar) (Instr. 8) Sec (A) Disj (D)			Number 6. D. Expi rivative (More curities quired) or sposed of) sstr. 3, 4,		Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Ti Amo Undo Secu	Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	ve Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V (.	A)		Date Exercisa		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares				
Convertible Bonds	\$ 0.35	01/08/2004		С		20	0,160	09/10/2	2003 0	9/09/20		nmon ock	57,600	\$ 0.35	1,764,37	0 I	By Limited Partnerships

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M 153 E 53RD ST 55TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10022		X				

Signatures

Austin W. Marxe	01/09/2004
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
David M. Greenhouse	01/09/2004
**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).

This is a joint filing by Austin W. Marxe (Marxe) and David M. Greenhouse (Greenhouse). They share voting and investment control over all securities owned by Special Situations Private Equity Fund, LP (PE), Special Situations Technology Fund, L.P. (Tech and Special Situations Technology II, L.P. (Tech II), respectively. 1,061,030 Bonds Cvt for 3,031,514 Common (1) Shares & 857,131 Wts are held by PE, 114,652 Bonds Cvt for 327,577 Common Shares & 93,515 Wts are held by Tech and 5,000 shares of Common Stock, 588,688 Bonds Cvt for 1,681,966 Common Shares & 477,906 Wts are held by Tech II. The interest of Marxe and Greenhouse in the above shares owned by PE, Tech, and Tech II is limited to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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