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(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
NORD ERIC T	**NORDSON CORP [NDSN]**	
(Last) (First) (Middle) **28601 CLEMENS ROAD**	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) **12/15/2003**	__ **X** __ Director __ **X** __ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
(Street) **WESTLAKE, OH 44145** (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _ **X** _ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 SHARES								**1482152**	**D**	
COMMON SHARES								**1352088** (1)	**I**	**BY SPOUSE**
COMMON SHARES								**481320**	**I**	**BY TRUST**

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (*e.g.* , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: 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				
Stock Units	(2)	**12/15/2003**		**J**		**30**		(3)	(3)	**COMMON SHARES**	**30**	(3)	**29399**	**D**	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.

(2) Security converts into common stock on one-for-one basis.

(3) Stock units accrued through Nordson's Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan. Receipt of stock is not permissible until participant ceases to be a Director.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NORD ERIC T				

Signatures

Robert E. Veillette, **12/16/2003**

28601 CLEMENS ROAD WESTLAKE, OH 44145	**X**	**X**		

Attorney-In-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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