

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NARDONE RANDAL A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWCASTLE INVESTMENT CORP [NCT]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: 100%;">Secretary</div>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2003					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form 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)	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 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			
Series B Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	09/15/2003		P		1,096	A	\$ 26.99	1,096	I	By Newcastle Investment Holdings Corp. (1)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share								2,750,189	I	By Fortress Principal Investment Holdings LLC (2)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share								1,000	D	

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 (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. 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (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					

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

NARDONE RANDAL A			Secretary	
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Signatures

/s/ Randal A. Nardone		09/16/2003
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		<small>Date</small>

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).

- Mr. Nardone may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these shares by virtue of his beneficial ownership of a portion of FPIH; FPIH beneficially owns 26.1% of outstanding common stock of Newcastle Investment Holdings Corp (NIH); Mr. Nardone disclaims beneficial ownership of shares and derivative securities of the issuer held by FPIH and NIH except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.
- (1) Mr. Nardone may be deemed to be the owner of FPIH's 2,750,189 shares of common stock of the issuer by virtue of his beneficial ownership of a portion of FPIH; Mr. Nardone disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares and of derivative securities of the issuer of FPIH to the extent of his pecuniary interest.
- (2) Mr. Nardone may be deemed to be the owner of FPIH's 2,750,189 shares of common stock of the issuer by virtue of his beneficial ownership of a portion of FPIH; Mr. Nardone disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares and of derivative securities of the issuer of FPIH to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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