FORM 4

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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* BACOW LAWRENCE S					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON PROPERTIES INC [BXP]								heck all app X Direc	or		10% Ov	ner	
(Last) TUFTS U	(Fi JNIVERSI	,	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/30/2004								Offic belov	er (give title v)		Other (s	specify	
161 PACKARD AVENUE					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) MEDFO	RD M	A (02155									X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(Si	tate) (Zip)															
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date				. Transacti Pate Month/Day	Execution Date,			Code (Instr. 5)			ed (A) or str. 3, 4 ar	Benefi	ies Formalially (D) Following (I) (I			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						Code	v	Amount	t (A) or (D)		Transa	ction(s) 3 and 4)			(11150.4)			
	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)	Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Cod	ransaction of Code (Instr. Derivative			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price o 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)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Cod	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		opiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	07/30/2004		A		22.02		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	22.02	\$0	1,814.1	2	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Acquired as quarterly dividends on July 30, 2004. The rights were granted as a component of the Phantom Stock Units that were awarded under the Boston Properties, Inc. 1997 Stock Option and Incentive Plan to non-employee directors who elected to receive Phantom Stock Units in lieu of director compensation fees. The rights are to be settled in shares of Common Stock upon Mr. Bacow's retirement from the Boston Properties Board of Directors.

Remarks:

Arthur S. Flashman, as attorney-in-fact

08/02/2004

** 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).
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