STONE R DARY Form 4 March 03, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STONE R DARY

(First)

(Street)

03/01/2011

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

COUSINS PROPERTIES INC

[CUZ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2011

191 PEACHTREE STREET, SUITE

(Middle)

3600

Stock

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

D

Person

150,366

below)

ATLANTA, GA 30303

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed	le I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common 02/01/2011	Code V	Amount (D) Price \$	(Instr. 3 and 4)	D	

349

D

8.26

Common 03/01/2011 $M^{(2)}$ 6,143 A \$0 156,509 D Stock

 $F^{(1)}$

Common $D^{(2)}$ D 03/01/2011 6,143 150,366 D Stock

By Profit Common Ι Sharing 3,339 Stock Plan

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numb orDerivati Securitie Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5)	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	(2)	03/01/2011		M		6,143	02/16/2010	02/16/2013	Common Stock	6,143
Phantom Stock	<u>(3)</u>	03/02/2011		A	401		03/02/2014	03/02/2014	Common Stock	401
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.21	03/02/2011		A <u>(4)</u>	1,019		03/02/2011	03/02/2021	Common Stock	1,019

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
STONE R DARY						
191 PEACHTREE STREET	X					
SUITE 3600	Λ					

Signatures

ATLANTA, GA 30303

/s/ Kristin R. Myers, by Power of Attorney

03/03/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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(1)

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Shares withheld from the vesting of restricted stock to pay the reporting person's tax liability as permitted under the 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. Per Mr. Stone's resignation agreement, unvested restricted shares vested on March 1, 2011.

- (2) Restricted stock units were granted under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan. Per Mr. Stone's resignation agreement, unvested restricted stock units vested on March 1, 2011.
 - Award of restricted stock units under Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan. Each unit represents a right to receive a payment in cash equal to the average of the closing price of CPI's common stock on each trading day during the 30 day period
- (3) ending on the date payment is due under the plan. These units will vest 100% on the third anniversary of the grant date. Unforfeited shares held prior to vesting will earn dividends paid annually but will not have shareholder rights. All unvested shares will forfeit upon separation from service as a member of the Board.
- These options were granted under the 2009 Incentive Stock Plan. These options are fully vested on the grant date. The reporting person may, as an alternative to exercising the stock option right to purchase the full allotment of CPI stock, elect a cashless exercise. The cashless exercise allows the reporting person to receive the number of whole shares of CPI stock equal to the difference between the fair market value of the stock on the date of exercise and the option price.

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