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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D (Amendment No. 1)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934*
Exide Technologies

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value

(Title of Class of Securities)

302051206

(CUSIP Number)

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January 11, 2005

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of ss.ss. 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-(1)(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box [X].

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* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter

disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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This Amendment No. 1 supplementally amends the initial statement on Schedule 13D previously filed on December 22, 2004 (the "Original 13D" and collectively with this Amendment No. 1, the "Statement"). The Statement relates to the Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Shares"), of Exide Technologies, a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"). The Statement is being filed on behalf of (1) Soros Fund Management LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("SFM LLC"), and (2) George Soros, a United States citizen. SFM LLC and Mr. Soros are sometimes collectively referred to herein as the "Reporting Persons." Initially capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Original 13D.

The Reporting Persons filed a statement on Schedule 13G on November 26, 2004 to report the acquisition of Shares which are the subject of the Statement, as a result of which the Reporting Persons may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of the outstanding Shares, and filed the Original 13D because, in connection with their ongoing evaluation of the investment in the Issuer and their options with respect to such investment, they have decided to seek to meet with the board of directors and/or members of senior management of the Issuer to indicate their views on issues relating to the strategic direction undertaken by the Issuer and other matters of interest to stockholders generally.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

Item 4 of the Statement is hereby amended by adding the following as the third paragraph of such Item:

On January 11, 2005, in furtherance of its efforts to meet with the Issuer's board of directors, SFM LLC sent a letter to the Issuer. A copy of this letter is attached hereto as Exhibit D and incorporated herein in its entirety.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit A: Joint Filing Agreement by and among the Reporting Persons (incorporated by reference to the Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons on December 22, 2004).

Exhibit B: Power of Attorney, dated as of October 30, 2002, granted by Mr. George Soros in favor of Armando T. Belly, John F. Brown, Jodye Anzalotta, Maryann Canfield, Richard D. Holahan, Jr. and Robert Soros (incorporated by reference to the Schedule 13G filed by the Reporting Persons on November 26, 2004).

Exhibit C: Joint Plan of Reorganization of the Official Committees of

Unsecured Creditors and the Debtors, dated March 11, 2004 (incorporated by reference to the Issuer's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 6, 2004).

Exhibit D: Letter dated January 11, 2005 from SFM LLC to Exide Technologies.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, ${\tt I}$ certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

January 11, 2005.

SOROS FUND MANAGEMENT LLC

By: /s/ Richard D. Holahan, Jr.

Name: Richard D. Holahan, Jr. Title: Assistant General Counsel

GEORGE SOROS

By: /s/ Richard D. Holahan, Jr.

Name: Richard D. Holahan, Jr. Title: Attorney-in-Fact

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