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* BUCHANAN CHARLES B			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP /DE/</u> [AIN]		tionship of Reporting Person all applicable) Director Officer (give title	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/08/2003		below)	below)	
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(City)	y) (State) (Zip)				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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(iiisu: 4)
Class A Common Stock	05/08/2003		A ⁽¹⁾	V	406	Α	24.6	16,875	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/08/1988 ⁽²⁾		J ⁽²⁾		<mark>0</mark> ⁽²⁾	A	0 ⁽²⁾	500	Ι	Held by spouse. ⁽³⁾

 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. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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: 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				
Employee Stock Option ⁽⁴⁾	22.25	08/08/1988 ⁽²⁾		յ ⁽²⁾		0 ⁽²⁾		05/18/1996 ⁽⁵⁾	02/01/2007	Class A Common Stock	1,800	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	1,800	D	
Employee Stock Option ⁽⁴⁾	22.25	08/08/1988 ⁽²⁾		J ⁽²⁾		0 ⁽²⁾		05/14/1997 ⁽⁵⁾	02/01/2007	Class A Common Stock	1,500	\$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾	3,300	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Distributed pursuant to issuer's Directors' Annual Retainer Plan.

2. No transaction to report.

3. Held by spouse. Undersigned disclaims beneficial ownership.

4. Options granted pursuant to Company's 1992 Stock Option Plan as incentive to remain in employ of Company.

5. Fully exercisable.

Kathleen M. Tyrrell, Attorneyin-Fact 05/09/2003

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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The undersigned, as an officer and/or director of Albany International Corp., a Delaware corporation ("the Company"), hereby authorizes THOMAS H. HAGOORT, CHARLES J. SILVA, JR. AND KATHLEEN M. TYRRELL, and each of them with full power to act without the others, to sign and file, or cause to be filed, on behalf of the undersigned, any forms and other documents, including without limitation Forms 3 and 4 or any other forms hereafter substitute therefor, required or permitted to be filed by the undersigned pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.

The authorization of a person named above shall automatically terminate at such time as such person ceases to be an employee of the Company. The undersigned may terminate the authorization of any such person at any time by delivering written notice of termination to the Company.

Date: December 17, 1997 /s/ Charles B. Buchanan