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| Form 4                    |                         |   |                     |                                 |                       |              |   |   |                                 |                       |      |  |
| August 17, 2              | 2012                    |   |                     |                                 |                       |              |   |   |                                 |                       |      |  |
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| <i>See</i> Instr<br>1(b). |                         | 30(h) of t                                    | the Invest          | ment                            | t Compa               | ny Ao        | ct of 1                                   | 940   |                                 |                       |      |  |
| (Print or Type            | Responses)              |   |                     |                                 |                       |              |   |   |                                 |                       |      |  |
|                           |                         |   |                     |                                 |                       |              |   |   |                                 |                       |      |  |
|                           | Address of Reporting    |   | . Issuer Nan        | suer Name and Ticker or Trading |                       |              | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to |   |                                 |                       |      |  |
| GOLDSMI                   | TH RUSSELL D            | Syı   | mbol                | pol                             |                       |              | Issuer                                    |   |                                 |                       |      |  |
| CITY I                    |                         |   | TY NATI             | ION                             | AL COR                | P [C         | YN]                                       | (Check all applicable)  |                                 |                       |      |  |
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|                           |                         | (M  | Ionth/Day/Year)     |                                 |                       | _X_ Director |   |   |                                 |                       |      |  |
| 400 N. RO2                | XBURY DRIVE             | 08  | /15/2012            | $\frac{X}{below}$               |                       |              | XOfficer (giv                             | ve title Oth<br>below)  | er (specify                     |                       |      |  |
|                           |                         |   |                     |                                 |                       |              |   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                         | sident and CEC                  | )                     |      |  |
|                           | (Street)                | 4 1   | If Amendme          | ant D                           | ate Origin            | al           |   | 6 Individual or l   | oint/Group Fili                 | ng(Check              |      |  |
|                           | (build)                 |   | ed(Month/Da         |                                 | -                     | u            |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line) |                                 |                       |      |  |
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| BEVERLY                   | HILLS, CA 902           | 10  |                     |                                 |                       |              |   | Form filed by Person  | More than One R                 | eporting              |      |  |
| (City)                    | (State)                 | (Zip)   | Table I - I         | Non-I                           | Derivative            | Secu         | rities A                                  | cquired, Disposed o   | of, or Beneficia                | lly Owned             | ł    |  |
| 1.Title of                | 2. Transaction Date     |   | 3.                  |                                 | 4. Securi             |              |   |   | 6. Ownership                    | 7. Nature             | of   |  |
| Security                  | (Month/Day/Year)        | Execution Date                                | e, if Trans<br>Code |                                 | nAcquired<br>Disposed |              |   |   | Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect | Indirect<br>Papafiaia | 1    |  |
| (Instr. 3)                |                         | any<br>(Month/Day/Y                           |                     |                                 | •                     |              |   | •   | (I) or maneet                   | Ownershi              |      |  |
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|                           |                         |   |                     |                                 |                       | (A)          |   | Reported  |                                 |                       |      |  |
|                           |                         |   |                     |                                 |                       | (A)<br>or    |   | Transaction(s)  |                                 |                       |      |  |
|                           |                         |   | Code                | e V                             | Amount                |              | Price                                     | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |                                 |                       |      |  |
| Reminder: Rep             | port on a separate line | e for each class o                            | of securities       | benet                           | ficially ow           | ned di       | irectly o                                 | 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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.         | 5. Number  | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of | 8. Price of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onof       | Expiration Date         | Underlying Securities  | Derivativ   |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | Derivative | (Month/Day/Year)        | (Instr. 3 and 4)       | Security    |

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| (Instr. 3)                       | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year | <sup>.</sup> ) (Instr. | 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) |     |                     |                    |                 |  | (Instr. 5) |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|----|---|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|------------|
|                                  |                                    |                 | Code                   | V  | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |            |
| Stock<br>Fund<br>Units<br>(SERP) | <u>(1)</u>                         | 08/15/2012      | А                      |    | 832   |     | (2)                 | (2)                | Common<br>Stock | 832                                    | \$ 50.50   |

# **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                                  | Relationships |           |                   |       |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |  |  |  |  |
| GOLDSMITH RUSSELL D<br>400 N. ROXBURY DRIVE<br>BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210 | Х             | Х         | President and CEO |       |  |  |  |  |

### Signatures

| /s/ Russell    | 08/15/2012 |  |  |  |
|----------------|------------|--|--|--|
| Goldsmith      | 08/13/2012 |  |  |  |
| **Signature of | Date       |  |  |  |

Reporting Person

## **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).

The Stock Fund Units accrued as dividend equivalent units on Stock Fund Units already held in the CNC Stock Fund. The number of(1) Stock Fund Units accrued was determined based on the closing price of the CNC Stock on the dividend payable date. Each Stock Fund Unit is the economic equivalent of one share of CNC Common Stock.

(2) The Stock Fund Units will be distributed in CNC stock upon termination, or following retirement on the date or dates specified by the Reporting Person.

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