

ASTRO MED INC /NEW/

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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FORM 4

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
OF SECURITIES**

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Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
PETRARCA STEPHEN M		ASTRO MED INC /NEW/ [ALOT]		<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Vice President	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 600 E GREENWICH AVE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 8/26/2003			
(Street) W WARWICK, RI 02893		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
(City) (State) (Zip)				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	8/26/2003		M		5000	A	\$3.7	7061	D (1)	
Common Stock	8/26/2003		S		5000	D	\$10.01	2061	I (2)	See Footnote (2)

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		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 of Derivative Security: 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				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.7	8/26/2003		M		5000		10/18/2002	3/18/2012	Common Stock	5000	\$0	10000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) After the exercise of options to purchase 5,000 shares of the issuer's common stock but prior to the sale of these shares as reported herein, the reporting person beneficially owned 7,061 shares of the issuer's common stock, of which 5,500 were held directly by the reporting person and 1,561 shares were held indirectly by the reporting person in an employee stock ownership plan.

(2) Following the sale of 5,000 shares as reported herein, the reporting person beneficially owns 2,061 shares of the issuer's common stock, of which 500 share are held directly by the reporting person and 1,561 shares are held indirectly by the reporting person in an employee stock ownership plan.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Signatures

Margaret D. Farrell (Attorney-

8/28/2003

PETRARCA STEPHEN M 600 E GREENWICH AVE W WARWICK, RI 02893			Vice President	
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in-Fact)

 ** 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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