EASTERN CO Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MITAROTONDA JAMES A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EASTERN CO [EML]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director10% Owner			
C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP L.P., 888 SEVENTH AVENUE 17TH FLOOR		NTH	12/22/2015	Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
NEW YORK, NY 10019			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed (of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Owned (D) or Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Shares (1)	12/22/2015		Code V A	Amount 440	(D)	Price \$ 17.05	1,027	D	
Common Shares							508,406	I	By Barington Company Equity Partners, L.P. (2) (3)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly 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 Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/e		Under Securi	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MITAROTONDA JAMES A C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP L.P. 888 SEVENTH AVENUE 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019

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Signatures

/s/James A.

Mitarotonda 12/23/2015 **Signature of Reporting Date 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).
- 440 shares acquired under The Eastern Company Directors' Fee Program pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d). The price used to determine the **(1)** number of shares is the price of the shares on December 15, 2015 (as adjusted to true-up prior acquisitions of shares under the Program).
- The Reporting Person is the sole stockholder and director of LNA Capital Corp. LNA Capital Corp. is the general partner of Barington (2) Capital Group, L.P., which is the majority member of Barington Companies Investors, LLC ("Barington Investors"). Barington Investors is the general partner of Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P.
- The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this (3) report shall not be deemed to be an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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