HEXCEL CORP /DE/

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MEHRA SANJEEV K Issuer Symbol HEXCEL CORP /DE/ [HXL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & 12/20/2004 below) CO., 85 BROAD STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK NY 10004

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative Secu	ırities	Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities A order Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and Amount	(D)	d (A)	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)
Common Stock	12/20/2004		S	11,100,086 (2)	D	\$ 14	3,428,094	I	See footnotes (1) (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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MEHRA SANJEEV K							
C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.	X						
85 BROAD STREET	Λ						
NEW YORK NY 10004							

Signatures

/s/Ted Chang, Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 Reporting Person is a managing director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Goldman Sachs is a direct and indirect (1) wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein as indirectly owned except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.
- Pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement, dated December 14, 2004 (the "Underwriting Agreement"), and in connection with the registered public offering of shares of Hexcel Corporation (the "Company") common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), pursuant to the final prospectus filed by the Company on December 15, 2004 pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which offering was consummated on December 20, 2004, LXH, L.L.C. ("LXH") and LXH II, L.L.C. ("LXH II" and, together with LXH, the "LXH Entities") sold an aggregate of 11, 100,086 shares of Common Stock, consisting of 6,321,747 shares of
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 - GS Group and Goldman Sachs may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 3,424,914 shares of Common Stock by reason of the beneficial ownership of such shares by the LXH Entities and certain investment partnerships, in each case, of which Goldman Sachs or affiliates of Goldman Sachs and GS Group are the general partner, managing general partner, managing partner, managing member,
- (3) member, manager or investment manager. In addition, GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own 3,180 shares of Common Stock which were granted pursuant to the Hexcel Corporation 2003 Incentive Stock Plan, consisting of 1,590 shares of phantom stock granted to each of the Reporting Person and Peter M. Sacerdote, an advisory director of Goldman Sachs, in their capacity as directors of the Company.

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