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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HESS WILLIAM H</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE</u> (Street) <u>BOSTON</u> <u>MA</u> <u>02116</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/</u> [<u>AMT</u>]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <div>Director10% Owner</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)Other (specify below)<div><u>EVP, General Counsel</u></div></div>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>04/02/2004</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</div> <div>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</div>

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)	3. Transaction 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			

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. Transaction 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 (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				
Option to purchase Class A Common Stock	(I)	04/02/2004		A		622,000		07/14/2004	(I)	Class A Common Stock	622,000	\$0	622,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. As part of a compensatory arrangement for key employees, in October 2001, American Tower Corporation (the "Company") agreed to establish an employee stock option plan for its subsidiary, ATC Mexico Holding Corp. ("ATC Mexico"), and granted the optionees the right to require the Company to repurchase shares of common stock of ATC Mexico acquired by such optionees under certain circumstances. Pursuant to these arrangements, William H. Hess ("Hess") has the right, at any time after July 14, 2004, to require the Company to repurchase 144 shares of common stock of ATC Mexico held by him. The Board of Directors of the Company has authorized the Company to issue up to 622,000 shares of Class A Common Stock to Hess in exchange therefor or cash on terms to be mutually agreed by the parties.

Remarks:

William H. Hess
** Signature of Reporting Person

04/06/2004
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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