FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HELFAND DAVID						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MANUFACTURED HOME COMMUNITIES INC [MHC]									all app Dired	olicable)	p Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA 7TH FLOOR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2004									belo		belo	
(Street) CHICAGO IL 60606 (City) (State) (Zip)				_ 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	,				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					nd 5) Secur Benet		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(mount)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 02/10/20					2004	004		S		10,000	D	\$35.	\$35.6743		17,833	I	*(1)	
Common Stock, par value \$.01														7	75,001	D		
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	Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) erivative			saction e (Instr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or Number of Title Shares		Deri Seci (Inst		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares reported herein are beneficially owned by The Security Trust Company as Trustee of the Manufactured Home Communities, Inc. Supplemental Employees Retirement Plan for the benefit of the Reporting Person.

> By: Jennifer L. Usher, by Power of Atty. For: David A. 02/11/2004 **Helfand**

** 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).
- ** 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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