## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MONTGOMERY CYNTHIA ANN					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWELL RUBBERMAID INC [ NWL ]									eck all appli Directo	cable) or	g Pers	son(s) to Iss	ner	
(Last) HARVAI HALL 2	RD BUSIN	rst) (	(Middle) MORGAN	ſ		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2004									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify
SOLDIERS FIELD ROAD					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) BOSTON MA 02163													2	X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
(City)	(St	ate) (	(Zip)																
		Tab	le I - Nor	-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	osed c	f, or B	enef	iciall	y Owned	I			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/Da				Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			4 and Securition Beneficition Owned I		es For ially (D) Following (I) (		rm: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 05/12/					2/2004	/2004		A		1,000	1,000 <sup>(1)</sup> A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	2,100			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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code (i 8)		n of		6. Date Exc Expiration (Month/Da	Date	Amount of		urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	or Nur of	ount mber ares					
Option (Right to Buy)	\$22.91	05/12/2004			A		4,000		(2)	0	5/11/2014	Common Stock	4,0	000	\$0 <sup>(3)</sup>	4,000		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. All restrictions on shares lapse on the third anniversary of the date of grant.
- 2. Options become exercisable in annual installments of 20% of the number of options granted.
- 3. Not applicable.

/s/ Dale L. Matschullat,

Attorney-in-Fact for Cynthia

Ann Montgomery

05/14/2004

\*\* Cignoture of Deporting

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$ 

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Andrea L. Horne, Dale L. Matschullat and Donna Yeager, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Newell Rubbermaid Inc. (the "Company"), Forms ID, 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form ID, 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorneyin-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms ID, 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneysin-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 26th day of August, 2002.

/s/ Cynthia A. Montgomery
Print Name: Cynthia A. Montgomery