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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF OMB APPROVAL

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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		or Sec	tion 30(n) o	t the investment Company Act of 1	940				
1. Name and Ad Pelossof A	2. Date of Even Requiring State (Month/Day/Yea 05/05/2004	ement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Chembio Diagnostics Inc. [ CEMI ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3661 HORSEBLOCK ROAD		_   05/05/2001		Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)     Director	on(s) to Issue	(Mon	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
		_		X Officer (give title below)	Other (spe		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street)				Vice Preside	ent	1	X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
MEDFORD NY 11763							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State) (Zip)								
		Table I - No	n-Deriva	tive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect ( (Instr. 5)	t (D)   (Instr.		Beneficial Ownership	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>				225,554	D				
				ve Securities Beneficially ants, options, convertible		s)			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		2. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
		Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
8% Series A Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(2)</sup>		05/05/2004	12/31/204	9 Common Stock	10,078	(3)	D		
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>		11/19/2003	11/19/200	7 Common Stock	40,000	3	D		
Option to Purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>		05/05/2004	12/31/200	8 Common Stock	10,000	4	D		
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>		05/05/2004	05/04/201	1 Common Stock	40,000	0.75	D		
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>		05/05/2004	05/04/201	1 Common Stock	10,000	1	D		
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup>		05/28/2004	05/27/201	1 Common Stock	100,000	0.6	D		
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup>		05/28/2005	05/27/201	1 Common Stock	50,000	0.9	D		
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup>		05/28/2006	05/27/201	1 Common Stock	50,000	1.35	D		
Warrant to purchase Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>		05/05/2004	05/04/200	9 Common Stock	12,095	0.9	D		
Warrant to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>		05/05/2004	05/04/200	9 Common Stock	22,555	0.9	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. On May 5, 2004, the Issuer acquired Chembio Diagnostic Systems Inc., a privately held corporation ("Chembio"), through a merger of a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer with and into Chembio. Pursuant to the terms of the merger, each stockholder of Chembio received shares of the Issuer's Common Stock in exchange for Chembio common stock owned. The Issuer also assumed all the outstanding warrants and options to acquire Chembio common stock. Each assumed warrant and option is now exercisable for shares of the Issuer's Common Stock. Mr. Pelossof received 225,554 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock in exchange for his Chembio common stock and received warrants to purchase 22,555 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock and options to purchase 100,000 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock in exchange for warrants and options, respectively, that he held of Chembio.
- 2. On May 5, 2004, The Issuer consummated a private offering of its 8% Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (together with warrants to purchase shares of its Common Stock) in exchange for certain indebtedness of Chembio that was previously outstanding. The conversion price at which such debt was exchanged into 8% Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (together with warrants to purchase shares of the Issuer's Common Stock) was \$30,000 per share. Mr. Pelossof converted \$4,047.12 of Chembio indebtedness that he held prior to the merger into .202 shares Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (together with warrants to purchase 12,120 shares of Common stock) pursuant to the Series A Offering.
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- 4. In connection with Mr. Pelossof's employment, options were granted.

<u>Avi Pelossof</u> <u>07/02/2004</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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