## 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*  LYDECKER CHARLIE						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BROWN & BROWN INC [ BRO ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 220 SOUTH RIDGEWOOD AVENUE						Date o		iest Tran	saction	(Month	n/Day/Year)		X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Regional Exec. VP						
(Street) DAYTONA BEACH FL 32114				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City) (State) (Zip)					Person														
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/N						Execution Date,				Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and				Instr. 4	4)
Common Stock, \$.10 par value 12/16/200					2004	04		M		10,340	A	\$9.6719	102,977 <sup>(1)</sup>		D				
Common Stock, \$.10 par value													6,281		I	I 401 Plan		· .	
Common Stock, \$.10 par value													50,85	0	I		Stock Performance Plan <sup>(3)</sup>		
Common Stock, \$.10 par value													12		I Cł		Child	ren <sup>(4)</sup>	
			Table I								posed of, convertil			y Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Dee Execution if any (Month/I	med	4. Transa Code ( 8)	ection	5. Number of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)		isable and ite	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security	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 Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares						
Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$9.6719	12/16/2004			M			10,340	04/21/	/2004	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,34	\$9.6719		0	D		
Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$9.6719								04/21/2	2005 <sup>(6)</sup>	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,34	)	10	0,340	D		
Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$9.6719								04/21/2	2006 <sup>(6)</sup>	04/20/2010	Common Stock	8,980		8	8,980			
Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$31.56								03/23/2	2013 <sup>(7)</sup>	03/24/2013	Common Stock	25,00	)	25	5,000	D		
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- 1. Owned jointly with spouse.
- 2. These securities were acquired on a periodic basis pursuant to an employee benefit plan. Amounts shown are based on information supplied by the Plan's recordkeeper as of 1/23/04.
- 3. These securities were granted pursuant to the Company's Stock Performance Plan. Until the satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to that Plan, the recipient has neither voting rights nor dividend entitlement with respect to these shares, and full ownership will not vest until the satisfaction of additional conditions.
- 4. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of securities owned by children who share reporting person's household. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- 5. Granted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Company's 2000 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "Plan"). Consideration for granted options is grantee's performance and continued service with Company as specified in the Plan.
- 6. Due to the satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan, 10,340 options will vest and become exercisable on April 21, 2005, and 8,980 options will vest and become exercisable on April 21, 2006, subject to grantee's continued service with Company as specified in the Plan.
- 7. These options vest and become exercisable on 3/23/13, unless accelerated based on satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan.

CHARLES LYDECKER

12/17/2004

\*\* 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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