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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>NIEDERST RALPH G</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1600 TECHNOLOGY WAY</u> <u>POST OFFICE BOX 231</u> (Street) <u>LATROBE PA 15650</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KENNAMETAL INC [KMT]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Vice President</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/11/2003</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$38.48	12/11/2003		A		5,000		(1)	12/10/2013	Common Stock	5,000	\$0	5,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in three equal annual installments, commencing on December 11, 2004.

Remarks:

Exhibit List Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

By: David W. Greenfield For: Ralph G. Niederst 12/12/2003

** 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Ralph G. Niederst, appoint David W. Greenfield, Kevin G. Nowe and Tara Breslin Vittone, signing singly, attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) Execute on my behalf and in my capacity as a director and/or an officer of Kennametal Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 (the "Form" or "Forms") in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") and the rules thereunder; and
- (2) Perform any and all acts on my behalf which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any Form 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 in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by me, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on my behalf 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 his discretion.

I grant to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any act 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 I might or could do if personally present. I ratify and confirm all that such attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do by the rights and powers granted by this Power of Attorney. Each attorney-in-fact shall have full power of substitution or revocation.

I acknowledge that the attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at my request, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of my 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 I am no longer required to file the Forms with respect to my holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless I earlier revoke it in a signed writing delivered to the Office of the Secretary of the Company for distribution to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 24th day of July, 2003.

RALPH G. NIEDERST
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