

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

( ) Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.  
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  
 Centex, Corporation  
 2728 N. Harwood  
 Dallas, TX 75201  
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Centex Construction Products, Inc.  
 CXP
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year  
 05/31/97
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
 ( ) Director (X) 10% Owner ( ) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other  
 (specify below)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 ( ) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Amount	A/D			
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5/7/97	P	4,900	A	\$18.125		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5/12/97	P	32,700	A	\$18.75		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5/12/97	P	4,200	A	\$18.875		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5/13/97	P	59,000	A	\$19.375		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5/20/97	P	20,000	A	\$18.875		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5/20/97	P	12,500	A	\$19.00		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5/21/97	P	10,000	A	\$19.00	11,475,204	D

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Explanation of Responses:  
 SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON  
 \s\ Laurence E. Hirsch, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer  
 DATE  
 June 9, 1997