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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Abrams David C

(Last)

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CROWN CASTLE

INTERNATIONAL CORP [CCI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2012

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

222 BERKELEY STREET, 22ND **FLOOR**

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

Issuer

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

BOSTON, MA 02116

(State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or TransactionDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

5. Amount of

6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Ownership Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4) (I)

(A) or Price Code V Amount (D)

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

 $D^{(1)}$ 19,075

Stock Common

Stock

Common

02/16/2012

S 2,697,983 D 50.358

See I Footnote (2)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Coue v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelutioniships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Abrams David C							

222 BERKELEY STREET 22ND FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02116



Signatures

/s/ David C. 02/17/2012 **Abrams**

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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These shares were issued pursuant to the Issuer's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, as a component of non-employee director compensation.

The shares represented herein were held by private investment funds of which Mr. Abrams, directly or indirectly, is the managing member of the general partner and/or is the managing member of the general partner of the investment manager. In such capacities, Mr.

Abrams may have been deemed to have had voting and investment power with respect to such shares. Mr. Abrams disclaims having had beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of such shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the shares reported herein for purposes of Section 16 or for any other

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