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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

[] Check this box if no longer subject of Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5
obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Starkey, III	James	H.
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)

1501 North Hamilton Street

(Street)

Richmond	VA	23230
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Universal Corporation ("UVV")

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3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

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4. Statement for Month/Year

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5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

May 1998

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6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

[] Director	[] 10% Owner
[X] Officer (give title below)	[] Other (specify below)

Vice President

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7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)

[X] Form filed by one Reporting Person
[] Form filed by more than one Reporting Person

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Explanation of Responses:

/s/ James H. Starkey, III

June 10, 1998

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

** 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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