

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>TA ASSOCIATES IX LLC</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>125 HIGH STREET</u> <u>SUITE 2500</u> (Street) <u>BOSTON MA 02110</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/17/2003</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>TEMPUR PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC [TPX]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<u>Series A Convertible Preferred Stock</u>	<u>12/17/2003</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>Class B-1 Voting Common Stock</u>	<u>60,436.3</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>I⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>See Footnote 1</u>

Explanation of Responses:

- The reporting person may be deemed to have an indirect pecuniary interest as the General Partner of TA IX L.P. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares because the reporting person's indirect pecuniary interest is subject to indeterminable future events.
- Converts 1-for-1.
- These securities are preferred stock of the Issuer and do not have an expiration date.

TA Associates IX LLC 12/17/2003
By: TA Associates, Inc., its 12/17/2003
Manager
By: Thomas P. Alber, Chief 12/17/2003
Financial Officer

** 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 5 (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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