FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MARESH FRANK W 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/27/2004			nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EAGLE MATERIALS INC [EXP]								
(Last) 111 CONGR (Street) AUSTIN (City)	(First) ESS AVE, SUI TX (State)	(Middle) TTE 1100 78701 (Zip)				tionship of Reporting Perso call applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)		6. Ind	If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 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 Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						int of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock						0	D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			ate	3. Title and Amount of Security Underlying Derivative Security		ty (Instr. 4) Conve		ercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	3	Amount or Number of Shares	Price Deriva Secur	ative	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Frank W. Maresh</u> <u>07/27/2004</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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