FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ESSL GERALD J</u>                    |  |  |  |       |            | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EAGLE MATERIALS INC [ EXP ] |   |     |                  |  |                    |  |   |         | Check all ap<br>Dire                                | plicable)  | ng Person(s) to I   |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|-------|------------|---|---|-----|------------------|--|--------------------|--|---|---------|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 3811 TURTLE CREEK BLVD. STE #1100                        |  |  |  |       |            |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/20/2012 |     |                  |  |                    |  |   |         |   | w) ``  | below<br>Vice President   | )  |  |  |
| (Street)  DALLAS TX 75219  (City) (State) (Zip)                                  |  |  |  |       |            |   | 4. 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |  |  |       |            |   |   |     |                  |  |                    |  |   |         |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)                    |  |  |  |       |            | Execution   |   |     | Code             | Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)                           |                    | ties Acquired (A)<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |   |         | nd Secu<br>Bene                                     | ficially<br>ed Following   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |       |            |   |   |     | Code             | v  | Amount             | (  | A) or<br>D)   | Price   | Trans   | action(s)<br>. 3 and 4)  |   | (111501.4)   |  |  |
| Restricted Common Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup> 07/20/                              |  |  |  |       | 0/2012     | 2012  |   | Α   |                  | 14.345   | 52                 | A  | \$(   | )(1) 5, | 549.429   | D  |   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |  |  |  |       |            |   |   |     |                  |  |                    |  |   |         |   | 53,061   | D   |  |  |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |  |       |            |   |   |     |                  |  |                    |  |   |         |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                              | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Da<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Y | Date, | Code (Inst |   |   |     | Expiration       | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    |  | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |         | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4)                            | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |       | Code       | v   | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisa |  | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                      | Amo<br>or<br>Nun<br>of<br>Sha   |         |   |  |   |  |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The grant reported above represents Restricted Common Stock Units ("RSUs") accrued in connection with a cash dividend paid by Issuer on its Common Stock and as a result of certain dividend equivalent rights associated with the reporting person's existing RSUs.

/s/ Scott M. Wilson as

Attorney-in-Fact for Gerald J. 07/24/2012

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (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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