

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ESSL GERALD J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 3811 TURTLE CREEK BLVD., #1100 (Street) DALLAS TX 75219 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>EAGLE MATERIALS INC [[EXP/XPB]]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Vice President</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/21/2006	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Restricted Common Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	04/21/2006		A		5	A	\$0.00 ⁽¹⁾	1,923	D	
Restricted Common Stock Units ⁽²⁾	04/21/2006		A		4,621	A	\$0.00 ⁽²⁾	4,621	D	
Common Stock ⁽³⁾								12,830	D	

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Non-Qualified EBIT Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$23.42	04/21/2006		A		1,353		(4)	06/26/2011	Common Stock	1,353	\$0.00	8,445	D	
Non-Qualified EBIT Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$23.3	04/21/2006		A		552		(5)	08/04/2011	Common Stock	552	\$0.00	3,441	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.0767	04/21/2006		A		16,305		(6)	06/09/2012	Common Stock	16,305	\$0.00	16,305	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The grant reported above represents Restricted Common Stock Units ("RSUs") accrued in connection with a dividend declared by Issuer on its Common Stock and as a result of certain dividend equivalent rights associated with the reporting person's existing RSUs. These RSUs also reflect a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a 200% dividend paid by the Company on February 24, 2006. As a result, the number of shares represented by these RSUs have been tripled. In addition, on April 11, 2006, the shareholders of the Issuer approved an amendment to its restated certificate of incorporation to reclassify its existing Common Stock and Class B Common Stock into a new class of common stock. As a result, all of the reporting person's outstanding RSUs now represent shares of the Issuer's new class of common stock.
- On June 9, 2005, the reporting person was granted up to 5,952 Restricted Common Stock Units ("RSUs") subject to the satisfaction of certain performance conditions. On April 21, 2006, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2006 were determined to have been satisfied such that 4,621 RSUs became vested and reportable on such date. The remaining RSUs have been forfeited. The Restricted Common Stock Unit grant reported above represents these vested RSUs which are issuable in shares of Common Stock as follows: one-third of the Common Stock is issuable immediately; one-third becomes issuable on March 31, 2007; and the remaining one-third becomes issuable on March 31, 2008. The number of shares of Common Stock underlying such RSUs has been adjusted to reflect a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a 200% dividend paid by the Company on February 24, 2006.
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- On June 26, 2004, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 8,445 shares of Common Stock. The Stock Option may vest in as many as three installments subject to satisfaction of performance conditions determined as of March 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007. On May 4, 2005, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2005 were determined to have been satisfied such that Stock Options became vested as to 7,092 shares. On April 21, 2006, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2006 were determined to have been satisfied such that Stock Options vested as to an additional 1,353 shares which shares are exercisable as follows: one-third exercisable immediately, one-third exercisable on March 31, 2007; and one-third exercisable on March 31, 2008. The number option shares and the exercise price have been adjusted to reflect a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a 200% dividend paid by the Company on February 24, 2006.
- On August 4, 2004, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 3,441 shares of Common Stock. The Stock Option may vest in as many as three installments subject to satisfaction of performance conditions determined as of March 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007. On May 4, 2005, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2005 were determined to have been satisfied such that Stock Options became vested as to 2,889 shares. On April 21, 2006, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2006 were determined to have been satisfied such that Stock Options vested as to an additional 552 shares which shares are

exercisable as follows: one-third exercisable immediately, one-third exercisable on March 31, 2007; and one-third exercisable on March 31, 2008. The number of option shares and the exercise price have been adjusted to reflect a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a 200% dividend paid by the Company on February 24, 2006.

6. On June 9, 2005, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 21,000 shares of Common Stock. On April 21, 2006, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2006 were determined to have been satisfied such that Stock Options vested as to 16,305 shares exercisable as follows: one-third exercisable immediately, one-third exercisable on March 31, 2007; and one-third exercisable on March 31, 2008. The remaining options to purchase shares have been forfeited. The number of shares of common stock underlying such stock options and the exercise price have been adjusted to reflect a 3-for-1 stock split in the form of a 200% dividend paid by the Company on February 24, 2006.

Remarks:

/s/ James H. Graass as
Attorney-in-Fact for Gerald J. Essl 04/25/2006

** 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 4 (b)(v).

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