## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ESSL GERALD J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EAGLE MATERIALS INC [ EXP ]									Check all a	ship of Reporti applicable) rector ficer (give title		10% C		
	ast) (First) (Middle) 811 TURTLE CREEK BLVD. TE #1100					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/06/2008										low)		below) e President		
(Street) DALLAS TX 75219 (City) (State) (Zip)					_ 4. If	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. Transa Date (Month/D						Execution			Code (Instr.					(A) or 3, 4 a	nd Sec Ber Owi	mount of urities eficially ned Following orted	Form (D) o	wnership n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						Code	v	Amount	() ()	A) or O)	Price	, Trai	r. 3 and 4)			(111341.4)				
Restricted Common Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup> 11/06						/2008					3.621	5	Α	\$0	(1)	330.2853		D		
Common Stock															20,110		D			
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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)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		y	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title								

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. 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.

> /s/ Scott M. Wilson as 11/10/2008 Attorney-in-Fact for Gerald J. Essl

\*\* 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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