

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BARNETT F WILLIAM</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 3800 MAPLEWOOD (Street) DALLAS TX 75205 (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>EAGLE MATERIALS INC [[EXP/EXPB]]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/21/2005 | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

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) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Restricted Common Stock Units ⁽¹⁾ | 07/21/2005 | | A | | 3 | A | \$0.00 ⁽¹⁾ | 963 | 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) |
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| | | | | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The grant reported above represents Restricted Common Stock Units accrued in connection with a dividend declared by Eagle Materials on its Common Stock and as a result of certain dividend equivalent rights associated with the reporting person's existing Restricted Common Stock Units. These Restricted Common Stock Units are issuable in shares of Common Stock upon the earlier of the reporting person's (a) retirement from his or her position as a director or (b) death.

Remarks:

/s/ James H. Graass as
Attorney-in-Fact for F. William 07/25/2005
Barnett

** 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).

** 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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