

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. STE #1100 (Street) DALLAS TX 75219 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>EAGLE MATERIALS INC [EXP]</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) 02/17/2012	
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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/17/2012		M		6,305	A	\$29.0767	51,529	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2012		S		6,305	D	\$33.1495 ⁽¹⁾	45,224	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M		5,000	A	\$29.0767	50,224	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		S		5,000	D	\$33.1	45,224	D	
Restricted Common Stock Units								11,040.7448	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 Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.0767	02/17/2012		M			6,305	(2)	06/09/2012	Common Stock	6,305	\$0	10,000	D	
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.0767	02/21/2012		M			5,000	(2)	06/09/2012	Common Stock	5,000	\$0	5,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- This price represents the weighted average purchase price for multiple transactions reported on this line. The prices of the transactions reported on this line range from \$33.14 to \$33.1801. Upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, the reporting person will undertake to provide full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which transactions were effected.
- Shares vested upon achievement of certain levels of earning before interest and taxes and operational excellence goals.

/s/ Scott M. Wilson as
Attorney-in-Fact for Gerald J. ESSL 02/22/2012

** 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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