## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  NICOLAIS MICHAEL R  (Last) (First) (Middle)  3811 TURTLE CREEK BLVD., SUITE 250  (Street)          |  |            |                         |  | 3. D<br>08/ | Suer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EAGLE MATERIALS INC [ EXP ]      Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/03/2011  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |  |       |   |                                    |         |   |   |   | (Cr   | S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below)     Other (specify below)      Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |       |  |   | vner |
|--|--|------------|-------------------------|--|-------------|--|--|-------|---|------------------------------------|---------|---|---|---|---|---|-------|--|---|------|
| DALLAS  (City)   |  |            | 75219<br>(Zip)          |  |             |  |  |       |   |                                    |         |   |   | 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)  |  |            |                         | 2A. Deemed Execution Date,                 |             | ,  | 3. 4. Securi<br>Transaction Dispose<br>Code (Instr. 5)         |       | ities Acquired (A)<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4   |                                    | (A) or  | 5. Amor   | int of 6. 0 es Foi ially (D) Following (I) (  |   | : Direct<br>Indirect<br>str. 4)                                   | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership  |       |  |   |      |
|  |  |            |                         |  |             | Code V Amount (A) or Pr  |  | Price | Transac   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |         |   | (Instr. 4)  |   |   |   |       |  |   |      |
| 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)  | e of 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) after if any |            | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (I | ansaction of E<br>ode (Instr. Derivative ( |             | 6. E   | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |       | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Secur<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                    | ecurity | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficial<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactic<br>(Instr. 4) | ly  | 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)   | Dat<br>Exe  | te<br>ercisable                    |         | xpiration<br>ate                                    | Title   | N<br>O  | Amount<br>or<br>Jumber<br>of<br>Shares                            |   |       |  |   |      |
| Non-<br>qualified<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$23.17  | 08/03/2011 |                         |  | A           |  | 8,308  |       | 08  | /03/2011                           | . 0     | 8/03/2021   | Com   |   | 8,308   | \$0   | 8,308 |  | D |      |

**Explanation of Responses:** 

/s/ Scott M. Wilson as

Attorney-in-Fact for Michael 08/05/2011

R. Nicolais

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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