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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ESSL GERALD J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EAGLE MATERIALS INC [EXP]								(Che	ck all app Direc	olicable)	g Person(s) to Is 10% C	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3811 TURTLE CREEK BLVD. STE #1100						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2012									belov	w) ``	below vice President)``
(Street) DALLAS (City)	S T2		75219 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	l, Di	sposed o	f, or l	3ene	ficiall	y Own	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day				Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)				Secur Benef	rities F ficially ed Following (6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		ice	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 05/03/2					2012	012		F		2,433(1)	D \$36		36.98 ⁰	8 ⁽²⁾ 53,061		D		
Restricted Common Stock Units															5,5	35.0838	D	
		Та	ıble II -								osed of, convertib				Owned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year) if any				5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		r. 3	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

1. On June 27, 2011, the reporting person was granted 33,373 shares of restricted stock, subject to the achievement by the Company of performance vesting criteria based on the Company's return on invested capital measured at the end of fiscal 2012. On May 3, 2012, the performance vesting criteria was determined to have been met. In accordance with the Restricted Stock Agreement, the restrictions on one-fifth of the earned shares (6,675 shares) lapsed on the certification date. The restrictions on the remaining shares will lapse ratably on March 31 of 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016. In connection with the payout of the first one-fifth of the earned restricted stock as described above, 2,433 shares were withheld by the issuer to satisfy income tax withholding requirements.

2. In accordance with the issuer's Incentive Plan, this price represents the closing price per share of Common Stock on the vesting date

/s/ Scott M. Wilson as

Attorney-in-Fact for Gerald J. 05/07/2012

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** 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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