

KRAKOWER IRA J
Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KRAKOWER IRA J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HEXCEL CORP /DE/ [HXL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**HEXCEL CORPORATION, 281
TRESSER BLVD.**

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/28/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

STAMFORD, CT 06901

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)		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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	01/28/2009		M	V	6,430	A \$ 0 69,933	D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	01/29/2009		M	V	2,036	A \$ 0 71,969	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units ⁽²⁾	<u>(2)</u>	01/28/2009		M	6,430	<u>(3)</u> 01/28/2011	Common Stock	6,430
Restricted Stock Units ⁽²⁾	<u>(2)</u>	01/29/2009		M	2,036	<u>(3)</u> 01/29/2010	Common Stock	2,036

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KRAKOWER IRA J HEXCEL CORPORATION 281 TRESSER BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

/s/Ira J. Krakower by Seth L. Kaplan,
Attorney-in-fact

01/30/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

- (1) The Common Stock was acquired upon the conversion of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") in accordance with the terms of the underlying agreement. The RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b.
- (2) These RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b. Upon vesting, RSUs are converted into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock that are distributed to the grantee.
- (3) The RSUs vest and convert into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock in equal installments on the first three anniversaries from the grant date. Vesting of the RSUs is also subject to certain acceleration and termination provisions.

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