

EAGLE MATERIALS INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
ESSL GERALD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**EAGLE MATERIALS INC
 [EXP/XPB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**3811 TURTLE CREEK
 BLVD., SUITE 1100**
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
05/04/2005

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

DALLAS, TX 75219

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 05/04/2005 | | A | 1,907 A \$ 77.89 | 3,907 | 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)

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) On June 26, 2004, the reporting person was granted up to 2,543 Restricted Common Stock Units subject to the satisfaction of certain performance conditions. On May 4, 2005, the performance conditions were determined to have been satisfied such that 1,907 Restricted Stock Units became vested and reportable on such date. The remaining Restricted Stock Units have been forfeited. The Common Stock grant reported above represents these vested Restricted Common Stock Units which are issuable in shares of Common Stock as follows: one-third of the Common Stock is issuable immediately; one-third becomes issuable on March 31, 2006; and the remaining one-third becomes issuable on March 31, 2007.

(2) On June 26, 2004, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 5,630 shares of Common Stock. The Stock Option may vest in as many as three installments subject to the satisfaction of performance conditions determined as of March 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007. On May 4, 2005, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2005 were determined to have been satisfied such that Stock Options became vested as to 5,180 shares. The Stock Option may vest as to additional shares subject to satisfaction of performance conditions during the next two years.

(3) On August 4, 2004, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 2,294 shares of Common Stock. The Stock Option may vest in as many as three installments subject to the satisfaction of performance conditions determined as of March 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007. On May 4, 2005, the performance conditions as of March 31, 2005 were determined to have been satisfied such that Stock Options became vested as to 2,110 shares. The Stock Option may vest as to additional shares subject to satisfaction of performance conditions during the next two years.

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