

HALBROOK JOHN A
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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 *
HALBROOK JOHN A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WOODWARD GOVERNOR CO
[WGOV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1000 E. DRAKE ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/13/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

FORT COLLINS, CO 80525
(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) (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price					
Woodward Governor Company Common Stock	01/13/2009		M		23,461 (1)	A	\$ 21.69 (1)	1,361,611	D	
Woodward Governor Company Common Stock	01/13/2009		F		6,592 (2)	D	\$ 21.69	1,355,019	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.69 (3) (4)	01/13/2009		M ⁽³⁾	23,461	01/13/2009 01/13/2009	Common Stock	23,461

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HALBROOK JOHN A 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD FORT COLLINS, CO 80525		X		

Signatures

Kathleen A Waelti by Power of Attorney 01/16/2009

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Shares received under the Woodward Executive Benefit Plan in accordance with Rule 16b-3.

(2) Shares withheld to cover the tax liability incident to the issuance of shares under the Woodward Executive Benefit Plan in accordance with Rule 16b-3.

(3) Phantom Stock Units disposed of incident to the settlement of a distribution from the Woodward Executive Benefit Plan in accordance with Rule 16b-3.

(4) The reporting person participates in the Woodward Executive Benefit Plan and elected to defer compensation earned as Chairman and CEO through December 31, 2005. These deferrals are denominated in Company stock. Phantom stock units are accrued under the Plan and are to be settled in 100% stock on a one-for-one basis upon the participant's election to take a distribution from the Plan. Also includes dividend reinvestment shares.

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