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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

À SOULELES THOMAS S

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/22/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Boise Inc. [BZ]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

70 W. MADISON STREET, Â SUITE 3800

(Street)

_X__ Director Officer

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

CHICAGO, ILÂ 60602

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Common Stock, par value \$0.0001

37,857,374

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See footnote (1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion Ownership or Exercise Form of Price of Derivative Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Title

Security: Direct (D) Security

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect
Exercisable Date Number of (I)
Shares (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SOULELES THOMAS S 70 W. MADISON STREET SUITE 3800 CHICAGO, ILÂ 60602

X Â Â Â

Signatures

/s/ Karen E. Gowland, under a Power of Attorney 03/03/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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Boise Cascade Holdings, L.L.C. ("BCH") is the record owner of the 37,857,374 shares set forth herein. The shares held by BCH may be deemed to be beneficially owned by: (i) Forest Products Holdings, L.L.C. ("FPH"), by virtue of its being the controlling equityholder of BCH; (ii) Madison Dearborn Capital Partners IV, L.P. ("MDCP IV") by virtue of its being the controlling equityholder of FPH; and (iii) Madison Dearborn Partners IV, L.P. ("MDP IV"), by virtue of its being the general partner of MDCP IV. Mr. Souleles is a managing

director of the general partner of MDP IV. Mr. Souleles expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares that may be deemed to be owned by MDCP IV or MDP IV, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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