

MATULA KRISTOPHER J  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
 Washington, D.C. 20549**

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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 \*  
 MATULA KRISTOPHER J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC  
 [BKI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES  
 INC, 1001 TILLMAN STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/09/2009

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

MEMPHIS, TN 38112

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/09/2009		A	237 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 0	91,443	D	
Common Stock					16,764	I	Bki Retirement Plan

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)

Table with 9 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address and Relationships. Relationships include Director, 10% Owner, Officer, and Other. Example entry for MATULA KRISTOPHER J, BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC.

Signatures

Kristopher J. Matula 02/10/2009

\*\*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) Shares issued on February 9, 2009 to the reporting person pursuant to the Restricted Stock Plan to adjust for miscalculated restricted share grants in prior years.

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