

DUN & BRADSTREET CORP/NW  
Form 4  
December 15, 2009

**FORM 4**

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

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*See Instruction*  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PELSON VICTOR A

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
DUN & BRADSTREET CORP/NW  
[DNB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

103 JFK PARKWAY

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/11/2009

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

SHORT HILLS, NJ 07078

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/11/2009		A	(A) or (D) Amount (1) 11.91 Price \$ 82.03	12,942.02	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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Phantom Stock Units - Deferred Compensation (2)	(3)	12/11/2009		A		29.139 (2)	(4) (5)	Common Stock 29.139 (2)
Phantom Stock Units - Deferred Performance Shares	(6)	12/11/2009		A		1.1537	(7) (7)	Common Stock 1.1537

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PELSON VICTOR A 103 JFK PARKWAY SHORT HILLS, NJ 07078		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Christine Cappuccia for Victor A. Pelson 12/15/2009

\_\_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) Acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the issuer's non-employee directors' stock incentive plan in connection with restricted stock units held by the reporting person.
- (2) Phantom stock is reported in units vs. shares in the D&B Common Stock Fund of the issuer's non-employee directors' deferred compensation plan (the "Plan").  
Each phantom stock unit entitles the reporting person to a cash payment based on the value on the payout date of the issuer's common stock corresponding to such units. Based on the \$81.85 closing price of the issuer's common stock on the transaction date, each unit corresponds to approximately 2.67 shares.
- (3) The reporting person may transfer these phantom stock units to alternative investment funds in the Plan.
- (5) These phantom stock units are payable in cash after the reporting person ceases to be a member of the issuer's board of directors.

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- (6) Each phantom stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- (7) These phantom stock units are payable in shares after the reporting person ceases to be a member of the issuer's board of directors.

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