

BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC
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FORM 4

**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 *
BRYAN GEORGE W

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)
MEMPHIS, TN 38112
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/29/2012

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

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/29/2012		M			10,000	A	\$ 7.57	41,167	D	
Common Stock	05/29/2012		S			10,000	D	\$ 28.3368 (1)	31,167	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 of Underlying Security
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.57	05/29/2012		M	10,000	11/03/2006 11/03/2015	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRYAN GEORGE W BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC. 1001 TILLMAN STREET MEMPHIS, TN 38112	X			

Signatures

George W. Bryan
05/30/2012
**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).
14shs@\$28.26; 2135shs@\$28.27; 335shs@\$28.28; 888shs@\$28.29; 1281shs@\$28.30; 400shs@\$28.32; 100shs@\$28.33;
(1) 400shs@\$28.34; 747shs@\$28.35; 342shs@\$28.36; 607@\$28.37; 147shs@\$28.38; 300shs@\$28.39; 1039shs@\$28.41; 465shs@\$28.42;
and 800shs@\$28.44.

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