

HORNE PAUL N  
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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 \*  
HORNE PAUL N

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)  
08/14/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) Sr VP Prod, MKT Development  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

MEMPHIS, TN 38112

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/14/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 1,435 A \$ 4.04   | 80,579   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/14/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 1,435 D \$ 30.5   | 79,144   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/15/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 3,711 A \$ 4.04   | 82,855   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/15/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 3,494 A \$ 10.39  | 86,349   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/15/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 3,711 D \$ 30.5   | 82,638   | D   |

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|              |            |   |       |   |         |        |   |                     |
|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|---------|--------|---|---------------------|
| Common Stock | 08/15/2012 | S | 3,494 | D | \$ 30.5 | 79,144 | D |                     |
| Common Stock |            |   |       |   |         | 1,833  | 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)

| 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 (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)  | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                      |       |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 4.04  | 08/14/2012                           |  | M                              | 1,435  | 04/28/2010 04/28/2019                                    |   | Common Stock               | 1,435 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 4.04  | 08/15/2012                           |  | M                              | 3,711  | 04/28/2010 04/28/2019                                    |   | Common Stock               | 3,711 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 10.39   | 08/15/2012                           |  | M                              | 3,494  | 07/20/2011 07/20/2020                                    |   | Common Stock               | 3,494 |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HORNE PAUL N  
BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC  
1001 TILLMAN STREET  
MEMPHIS, TN 38112

Sr VP Prod, MKT Development

## Signatures

Paul N. Horne

08/15/2012

\*\*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).

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