

Preiss Chad Robert  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Preiss Chad Robert

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 WOODWARD GOVERNOR CO  
 [WGOV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/21/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Group Vice President

FORT COLLINS, CO 80525  
 (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

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Nonqualified Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.67	11/24/2008		A			14,000		(1)	11/24/2018	Woodward Governor Company Common Stock
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	01/21/2008		A			1,059.252		(2)	(2)	Woodward Governor Company Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Preiss Chad Robert 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD FORT COLLINS, CO 80525			Group Vice President	

## Signatures

Kathleen A. Waelti by Power of  
Attorney

11/25/2008

\*\*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 become exercisable at the rate of 25% per year beginning 11/24/2009.

(2) The reporting person participates in the Woodward Executive Benefit Plan and has elected to have a portion of his Management Incentive Plan bonus deferred and denominated in Company stock. Phantom stock units are accrued under the Plan and are to be settled in 100% stock on a one-for-one basis upon separation from the Company. Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Company stock. The total shown represents the dollar amount of deferrals divided by the current share price and, therefore, the number of shares reported may fluctuate from period to period. The total shown also includes shares acquired under the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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