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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Dean Steven G	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC [BKI]		(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC., 1001 TILLMAN STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2011	Director 10% Owner Nother (give title Other (specification) below) Sr VP, CFO		
(Street) MEMPHIS, TN 38112	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/27/2011		Code V M(2)	Amount 8,000	(D) A	Price \$ 11.25	(Instr. 3 and 4) 61,272	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S(3)	8,000	D	\$ 29.5	53,272	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		A(4)	322	A	\$ 0	53,594	D	
Common Stock							7,147	I	BKI Retirement Plan

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By Trusts

Common Stock

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number omf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 11.25	10/27/2011	M <u>(1)</u>	8,000	04/23/2003	04/23/2012	Common Stock	8,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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(Right to Buy)

BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC.

1001 TILLMAN STREET

Sr VP, CFO

MEMPHIS, TN 38112

Signatures

Steven G. Dean 10/31/2011

**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) Stock Option Exercise pursuant to 10b5-1 Plan.
- (2) Stock Option Exercise pursuant to 10b5-1 Plan.

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- (3) Sale pursuant to 10b5-1 Plan.
- (4) Restricted Stock issued to reporting person pursuant to the ERISA-CAP Award Plan.

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