

ELSER MARCO M
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ELSER MARCO M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PORTA SYSTEMS CORP
[PYTM.OB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2008

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

C/O PORTA SYSTEMS
CORP., 6581 JERICHO
TURNPIKE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

SYOSSET, NY 11791

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) Amount (D) Price | 316,376 | 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) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|-----|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.32 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 11/01/2001 | 04/30/2011 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.07 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 11/01/2002 | 04/30/2012 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.031 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 11/01/2003 | 04/30/2013 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.073 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 11/01/2004 | 04/30/2014 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.14 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 11/01/2005 | 04/30/2015 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.11 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 11/01/2006 | 04/30/2016 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.14 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 11/01/2007 | 04/30/2017 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Stock Option <u>(1)</u> | \$ 0.03 | 05/01/2008 | Â | L | 5,000 | Â | 11/01/2008 | 04/30/2018 | Common Stock | 5,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ELSER MARCO M C/O PORTA SYSTEMS CORP. 6581 JERICHO TURNPIKE SYOSSET, NY 11791 | Â X | Â | Â | Â |

Signatures

/s/ Marco M.
Elser

02/13/2009

__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) The options are granted pursuant to one of the Company's 16b-3 stock incentive plans, and are exercisable in installments.

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