

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

Form 4

May 12, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MILLICHAP WILLIAM A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE, 925
EAST MEADOW DRIVE

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94303

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC
[ESS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/12/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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	05/12/2008		M		2,500	A	\$ 46.99	12,400	D
Common Stock	05/12/2008		S		2,500	D	\$ 118.05	9,900	D
Common Stock	05/12/2008		M		2,500	A	\$ 38.06	12,400	D
Common Stock	05/12/2008		S		2,500	D	\$ 117.95	9,900	D
Common Stock	05/12/2008		M		2,500	A	\$ 30.38	12,400	D

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Common Stock	05/12/2008	S	2,500	D	\$ 117.85	9,900	D
Common Stock	05/12/2008	M	2,500	A	\$ 30.13	12,400	D
Common Stock	05/12/2008	S	2,500	D	\$ 117.86	9,900	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 (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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Director Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 46.99	05/12/2008		M	2,500	05/15/2002 05/15/2011	Common Stock	2,500
Director Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 38.06	05/12/2008		M	2,500	04/25/2001 04/25/2010	Common Stock	2,500
Director Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 30.38	05/12/2008		M	2,500	04/27/2000 04/27/2009	Common Stock	2,500
Director Stock Option - Right to	\$ 30.13	05/12/2008		M	2,500	10/13/1999 10/13/2008	Common Stock	2,500

Purchase

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MILLICHAP WILLIAM A 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE PALO ALTO, CA 94303	X

Signatures

Keith R. Guericke (Attorney-in-Fact)	05/12/2008
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 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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