

Dean Steven G
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FORM 4

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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 *
Dean Steven G

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/27/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) Sr VP, CFO
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)

(Street)

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

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

MEMPHIS, TN 38112

(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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	10/27/2011		M ⁽²⁾		8,000	A	\$ 11.25	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
								0	I	By Trusts

Common
Stock

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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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.25	10/27/2011		M ⁽¹⁾	8,000	04/23/2003 04/23/2012	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Dean Steven G BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC. 1001 TILLMAN STREET MEMPHIS, TN 38112			Sr VP, CFO	

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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