

FERRARO DAVID B
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**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 *
FERRARO DAVID B

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/15/2010

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

BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC., 1001 TILLMAN STREET

(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)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
				Code	V	Amount				
Common Stock	04/15/2010		M		96,277	A	\$ 11.25	274,936	D	
Common Stock	04/15/2010		S ⁽³⁾		80,606	D	\$ 15.03	194,330	D	
Common Stock							(2)	28,439	I	Morgan Keegan

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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.25	04/15/2010		M	96,277	04/23/2003 ⁽¹⁾ 09/22/2011	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FERRARO DAVID B BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC. 1001 TILLMAN STREET MEMPHIS, TN 38112	X			

Signatures

David B. Ferraro 04/16/2010

**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 option will vest in two equal installments commencing on April 20, 2005.
- (2) 43510 shares@\$15.00; 6417 shares \$15.01; 500 shares@15.015; 3400 shares@ \$15.02; 100 shares@ \$15.025; 2118 @ \$15.03; 5293@ \$15.04; 3579@ \$15.05; 600 @ \$15.055; 1089@ \$15.06; 2447@ \$15.07; 1800@ \$15.08; 600@\$15.09; 1634@\$15.10; 1000@\$15.11; 3117@\$15.12; 1270@\$15.13; 1302@\$15.14; 800@\$15.15; and 30@\$15.16.
- (3) Sale pursuant to 10B5-1 Plan.

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