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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Hunt Bryan Gerald

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

[ESS]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

06/01/2009

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

TRUST, INC., 925 EAST MEADOW

(Street)

DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

VP & Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Director

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PALO ALTO, CA 94303

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(A)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

06/01/2009

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726 70 1358

D

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hunt Bryan Gerald C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST,INC. 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE PALO ALTO, CA 94303

VP & Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

/s/Bryan G. Hunt 06/02/2009

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) A portion of this sale of shares were withheld to cover taxes.

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