

ESPELAND CURTIS E
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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 *
ESPELAND CURTIS E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EASTMAN CHEMICAL CO [EMN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
200 SOUTH WILCOX

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/27/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP, CFO

KINGSPORT, TN 37660

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 or Price		
Common Stock	08/27/2012		M		\$ 18.3	D	
					58,801		
Common Stock	08/27/2012		S		\$ 55.42	D	
					39,901		
Common Stock	08/27/2012		M		\$ 27.82	D	
					59,001		
Common Stock	08/27/2012		S		\$ 55.36	D	
					39,901		
					1,601	I	By ESOP

Common Stock

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.3 ⁽³⁾	08/27/2012		M	18,900 ₍₃₎	10/28/2011 10/27/2018	Common Stock 18,900 ₍₃₎
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.82 ₍₃₎	08/27/2012		M	19,100 ₍₃₎	10/27/2011 10/26/2019	Common Stock 19,100 ₍₃₎

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ESPELAND CURTIS E 200 SOUTH WILCOX KINGSPORT, TN 37660			SVP, CFO	

Signatures

Brian L. Henry, by Power of Attorney

08/29/2012

**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) Average weighted sale price for shares disposed of in the reported transaction. The shares were sold in multiple brokers' transactions at various market prices per share ranging from \$55.36 to \$55.48.
- (2) Average weighted sale price for shares disposed of in the reported transaction. The shares were sold in multiple brokers' transactions at various market prices per share ranging from \$55.31 to \$55.46.
- (3) The option exercise price was halved and the number of shares underlying the option was doubled in the October 3, 2011 2-for-1 stock split by dividend of the common stock.

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