

HOSTER DAVID H II  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** 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 \*  
HOSTER DAVID H II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EASTGROUP PROPERTIES INC  
[EGP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
190 EAST CAPITOL STREET, SUITE 400  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/04/2009

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

JACKSON, MS 39201

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/04/2009                           |  | M                              | 5,000   | A \$ 20.375   | 279,724  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 05/04/2009                           |  | S                              | 5,000   | D \$ 33.46  | 274,724  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 05/05/2009                           |  | M                              | 501   | A \$ 20.375   | 275,225  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 05/05/2009                           |  | S                              | 501   | D \$ 32.8   | 274,724  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 05/06/2009                           |  | M                              | 4,685   | A \$ 20.375   | 279,409  | D                                 |

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|              |            |   |       |   |          |                        |   |        |
|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|----------|------------------------|---|--------|
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 2,585 | D | \$ 32.46 | 276,824                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 500   | D | \$ 32.5  | 276,324                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 100   | D | \$ 32.51 | 276,224                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 100   | D | \$ 32.55 | 276,124                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 300   | D | \$ 32.57 | 275,824                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 200   | D | \$ 32.59 | 275,624                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 100   | D | \$ 32.6  | 275,524                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 100   | D | \$ 32.61 | 275,424                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 200   | D | \$ 32.62 | 275,224                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 100   | D | \$ 32.63 | 275,124                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 200   | D | \$ 32.64 | 274,924                | D |        |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | S | 200   | D | \$ 32.65 | 274,724 <sup>(1)</sup> | D |        |
| Common Stock |            |   |       |   |          | 2,430                  | I | Spouse |
| Common Stock |            |   |       |   |          | 750                    | I | By IRA |

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) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. F... |
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(Instr. 3, 4,  
and 5)

|                  |           |            | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|------------------|-----------|------------|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| Stock<br>Options | \$ 20.375 | 05/04/2009 | M    |   |     |     | (2)                 | 06/22/2009         | Common<br>Stock | 5,000                                  |
| Stock<br>Options | \$ 20.375 | 05/05/2009 | M    |   |     |     | (2)                 | 06/22/2009         | Common<br>Stock | 501                                    |
| Stock<br>Options | \$ 20.375 | 05/06/2009 | M    |   |     |     | (2)                 | 06/22/2009         | Common<br>Stock | 4,685                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| HOSTER DAVID H II<br>190 EAST CAPITOL STREET<br>SUITE 400<br>JACKSON, MS 39201 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

Michael C. Donlon, Attorney-in-Fact for David H.  
Hoster II

05/06/2009

\*\*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).

As of the date hereof, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes 8,400 restricted shares granted under the Company's

(1) 1994 Management Incentive Plan, as amended, and 43,671 restricted shares granted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, that have not yet vested.

(2) The Reporting Person's options reported herein were all part of the same grant. All of the options were exercisable on the date of exercise.

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