

SILBERMAN ROBERT S
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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 *
 SILBERMAN ROBERT S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 COVANTA HOLDING CORP
 [CVA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/29/2009

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

C/O STRAYER EDUCATION INC., 1100 WILSON BOULEVARD, SUITE 2500

(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

ARLINGTON, VA 22209

(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 | Price | |
| Common Stock, \$.10 par value | 10/29/2009 | | M | A | 13,334 | \$ 12.9 | 48,319 D |
| Common Stock, \$.10 par value | 10/29/2009 | | S | D | 13,334 | \$ 17.5193 | 34,985 D |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option to purchase common stock (right to buy) | \$ 12.9 | 10/29/2009 | | M | 13,334 | 03/19/2006 09/19/2015 | Common Stock, \$.10 par value | 13,334 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SILBERMAN ROBERT S
C/O STRAYER EDUCATION INC.
1100 WILSON BOULEVARD, SUITE 2500
ARLINGTON, VA 22209

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Signatures

/s/ Robert S. Silberman 10/30/2009

__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).

Represents the weighted average price of multiple transactions with a range of prices between \$17.51 and \$17.542. The Reporting Person, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, undertakes to provide further information regarding the number of securities purchased at each separate price.

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