

Cates Bradley R
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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 *
 Cates Bradley R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE STANDARD REGISTER
 COMPANY, 600 ALBANY
 STREET

(Street)

DAYTON, OH 45408

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 STANDARD REGISTER CO [SR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/25/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 General Manager, Healthcare

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
Option to buy <u>(1)</u>	\$ 4.7	02/25/2009	A	25,000	02/25/2010 ⁽²⁾	02/25/2019

Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cates Bradley R THE STANDARD REGISTER COMPANY 600 ALBANY STREET DAYTON, OH 45408			General Manager, Healthcare	

Signatures

/s/Kathryn A. Lamme, by power of attorney for Bradley R. Cates 02/27/2009

**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).
- (1) Awarded pursuant to The Standard Register Company 2002 Equity Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (2) The options are exercisable in equal increments on 2/25/10, 2/25/11, 2/25/12 and 2/25/13.

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