

HOSTER DAVID H II  
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 \*  
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)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

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

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

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  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 20.375	05/04/2009	M				(2)	06/22/2009	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options	\$ 20.375	05/05/2009	M				(2)	06/22/2009	Common Stock	501
Stock Options	\$ 20.375	05/06/2009	M				(2)	06/22/2009	Common Stock	4,685

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOSTER DAVID H II 190 EAST CAPITOL STREET SUITE 400 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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