

CORKERN BRUCE
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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 *
CORKERN BRUCE

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)
12/31/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

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		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	12/31/2008		F		1,739	D	
					\$ 35.58		
Common Stock	01/01/2009		F		397 ⁽¹⁾	D	
					\$ 35.58		
Common Stock					1,000	I	By Children

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Stock Options	\$ 20			Code V (A) (D)		(3) 02/28/2010	Common Stock 2,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CORKERN BRUCE 190 EAST CAPITOL STREET SUITE 400 JACKSON, MS 39201			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Michael C. Donlon, Attorney-in-Fact for C. Bruce Corkern 01/05/2009

__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) 5,529 restricted shares vested on December 31, 2008 and an additional 1,382 restricted shares vested on January 1, 2009. In connection with each respective vesting date, the Reporting Person elected to have the Company withhold shares to satisfy the Company's tax withholding obligation as permitted under the Company's 1994 Management Incentive Plan, as amended and the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.

(2) As of the date hereof, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes 2,000 restricted shares granted under the Company's 1994 Management Incentive Plan, as amended, and 3,419 restricted shares granted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, that have not yet vested.

(3) All of the options are currently exercisable.

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