WHETZEL CHARLES E JR

Form 4

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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 ** WHETZEL CHARLES E JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARTERS INC [CRI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/09/2009					(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President			
				ndment, Da th/Day/Year)	U			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ 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 O									ly Owned		
	. Transaction Da Month/Day/Year	Execution any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)	
Common Stock	1/09/2009			M	20,000	A	\$ 3.08	350,400	D		
Common Stock	1/09/2009			S	20,000	D	\$ 24 (1)	330,400	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 3.08	11/09/2009		M	20,000	<u>(2)</u>	08/15/2011	Common Stock	289,688

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WHETZEL CHARLES E JR 1170 PEACHTREE STREET SUITE 900 ATLANTA, GA 30309

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Brendan M. Gibbons, Attorney-in-Fact for Charles E. Whetzel Jr.

11/12/2009

**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) The transaction reported in this Form 4 were effectuated pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 28, 2009.
- (2) These options are all exercisable.

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