EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Moore, Clayton & Co., Inc.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

(Check all applicable)

[EQS]

10/05/2009

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

10757 RIVER FRONT PARKWAY, SUITE 125

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

| (City) | (State) | 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 | osed c | 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) | |
| Equus Total Return, Inc. | 10/05/2009 | 10/05/2009 | S | 205,889 | D | \$ 3.26 | 151,569 | I (1) | See Footnote | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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| | 1. Title of Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transacti | 5. orNumber | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D | | 7. Title | | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
|--|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|---|--------------------|--|--|---|----------------|
| Security or Exer (Instr. 3) Price of Derivat | | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Tear) | any Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. | | of | (Month/Day/Year) ative ities red sed 3, | | Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Security (Instr. 5) | Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr | |
| | | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title N | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director Moore, Clayton & Co., Inc. 10757 RIVER FRONT PARKWAY X SUITE 125 SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

Signatures

Kenneth I. 10/06/2009 Denos

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).

This Form 4 is filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), to report the sale of 205,889 shares by MCC Europe Limited ("MCCE"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Moore, Clayton & Co., Inc. ("MCC"). Kenneth Denos, a member of the Board of Directors of the Issuer, is the Chief Executive Officer of MCC. MCC's sale of shares are attributed to an involuntary transfer of collateral to a secured creditor.

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