FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BUTLER GEFFREY D H | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HARSCO CORP [HSC] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|------------|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|----------|---------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X X | Officer (g | ive title | 10% Owner Other (specify | | 1 | |
| P.O. BO | Last) (First) (Middle) 2.O. BOX 8888 | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2009 | | | | | | | | | below) below) President | | | | | | |
| (Street) | treet) AMP HILL PA 17001-8888 | | | | — <u> </u> | 1. If Am | nendn | nent, Dat | e of C | Original F | iled | (Month/Day | /Year) | 6 | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
| (City) | | | | - | | | | | | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | |
| | | 7 | able I - No | on-De | erivat | tive S | Secu | ırities | Acq | uired, | Dis | posed o | f, or Ben | eficia | ally C | wned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y | | - 1 | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | te, | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, | | | d 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Ī | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common | Stock, \$1. | 25 par value | | 12/ | /15/20 | 009 | | | | М | | 20,000 | A | \$1 | 4.5 | 43,238 | | D | | | |
| Common | Stock, \$1. | 25 par value | | 12/ | /15/20 | 009 | | | | S | | 5,000 | D | \$32 | .107 | 38,2 | 238 | | D | | |
| Common | Stock, \$1. | 25 par value | | 12/ | 12/15/2009 | | | | | S | | 5,000 | D | D \$32.096 | | 33,238 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock, \$1.25 par value | | | 12/ | 12/15/2009 | | | | | S | | 10,000 | D \$32 | | 0804 | 23,2 | | D | | | | |
| Restricte | d Stock Un | its | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 10,666 | 5.67 ⁽¹⁾ | | D | | |
| | | | Table II | | | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | | vned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | 3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/ | ate, | 4. Transa Code (8) | ection | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | ole and 7. Title and Securities | | Amount of Underlying Security | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | ve Owners es Form: ally Direct (I or Indire d tion(s) | | Beneficial Ownership tt (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exe | e rcisable | E) Da | piration ite | Title | Amou Numb Share | er of | | | | | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾ | \$14.5 ⁽²⁾ | 12/15/2009 | | | M | | | 20,000 | 01/2 | .4/2001 ⁽²⁾ | 01 | /23/2010 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock, \$1.25 par value | 20,00 |)0 ⁽²⁾ | \$14.5 ⁽²⁾ | 0.0000 | | D | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾ | \$12.815 ⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | | (2) | 01 | /21/2011 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock, \$1.25 par value | (2) |) | | 20,000 | | D | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾ | \$16.325 ⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | | (2) | 01 | /20/2012 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock, \$1.25 par value | (2) | | | 48,00 | 00 | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Units - EICP ⁽¹⁾ | (1) | | | | | | | | | (1) | 01 | /23/2010 ⁽¹⁾ | Common Stock, \$1.25 par value | (1) | | | 5,333.34 | | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Units- | (3) | | | | | | | | | (3) | 01 | /27/2012 ⁽³⁾ | Restricted Stock Units | (3) | , | | 8,00 | 0 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents restricted stock units granted under the 1995 Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. Grant has three year pro-rata ve sting. No dividends are paid on the units until they vest.
- 2. Stock option granted pursuant to Harsco Corporation 1995 Executive Incentive Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- 3. Represents restricted stock units granted under the 1995 Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. Grant has three year pro-rata ve sting. No dividends are paid on the units until they vest.

Remarks:

EICP(3)

Mark E. Kimmel, Attorney-in-

12/16/2009

Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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