FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Gerson Scott H					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol HARSCO CORP [ HSC ]									k all applica Director	,		10% Ow	ner	
(Last) 350 POP	•	rirst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/27/2012								X	Officer (give title below)  V.P. & Indust.		st. Gro	Other (s below) Oup Pres.	ресіту
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			action	ion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)		(A) or	5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F		ly			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 3 and 4				(	nstr. 4)
Common Stock, \$1.25 par value 01/27/2		7/2012	012		M		416.66	A	(1	1)	539.	.66		D					
Common	Stock, \$1.2	25 par value <sup>(1)</sup>		01/27	7/2012	2			F		147.66	D	\$22.1	155 <sup>(1)</sup>	39	2		D	
Common Stock, \$1.25 par value <sup>(2)</sup>											3,560.46		.466		I N	y Managed Account <sup>(2)</sup>			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day		Date, Transaction		action of I		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of Un			7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e Own s Forn ally Dire or In g (I) (II	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	or	ount nber ıres					
Restricted Stock	(1)	01/27/2012			M			416.66	01/27/20	12 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/27/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	Commo Stock, \$1.25 pa	1/16	6.66	(1)	1,083	.32	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The restricted stock units vested on January 27, 2012 and were settled in Harsco common stock. Each restricted stock unit was the economic equivalent of one share of Harsco common stock.
- 2. With respect to the shares shown as held by the Managed Account, since the date of the Reporting Person's last report, 343.326 shares have been acquired under the Harsco Corporation Retirement Savings and Investment Plan. The information presented is as of December 31, 2011.

Scott H. Gerson

01/31/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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