Vulcan Materials CO Form 4 September 22, 2008

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Middle)

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JAMES DONALD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Vulcan Materials CO [VMC]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

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

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

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1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE

09/18/2008

Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

below)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/18/2008		M	4,600	A	\$ 45.17	166,686	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2008		S	4,600	D	\$ 79.9	162,086	D	
Common Stock	09/19/2008		M	45,400	A	\$ 45.17	207,486	D	
Common Stock	09/19/2008		S	45,400	D	<u>(1)</u>	162,086	D	
Common Stock	09/19/2008		M	50,000	A	\$ 45.17	212,086	D	

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Common Stock	09/19/2008	S	50,000	D	\$ 81.9	162,086	D
Common Stock	09/19/2008	M	50,000	A	\$ 45.17	212,086	D
Common Stock	09/19/2008	S	50,000	D	\$ 84.9	162,086	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisabl	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.17	09/18/2008		M	4,600	0 02/11/2000 <u>(2</u>	02/11/2009	Common Stock	4,600	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.17	09/19/2008		M	45,40	00 02/11/2000 <u>(2</u>	02/11/2009	Common Stock	45,400	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.17	09/19/2008		M	50,00	00 02/11/2000 <u>(2</u>	<u>0</u> 02/11/2009	Common Stock	50,000	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.17	09/19/2008		M	50,00	0 02/11/2000 <u>(2</u>	02/11/2009	Common Stock	50,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JAMES DONALD M 1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242

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Chairman & CEO

Signatures

By: Amy M. Tucker, Attorney-in-Fact

09/22/2008

**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) Shares were sold on September 19, 2008 at prices ranging from \$80.28 to \$82.19 per share. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request.
- (2) The option vests over five years in 20% increments each year on the anniversary of the grant date.

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