

Hutcherson Phillip Randall  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Hutcherson Phillip Randall

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FORCE PROTECTION INC [FRPT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 9801 HIGHWAY 78, BLDG 1

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/06/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Exec VP, Glbl Sales/Bus. Dvlpmt

(Street)  
 LADSON, SC 29456

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/06/2009                           |  | A                              |   | 12,255<br>(1)   | A  | \$ 0 12,255 D                     |
| Common Stock                    | 04/07/2009                           |  | A                              |   | 32,918<br>(2)   | A  | \$ 0 45,173 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 Derivative 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options (right to buy)               | \$ 5.81  | 04/07/2009                           |  | A                              | 10,973  | <sup>(3)</sup> 04/07/2019                                | Common Stock  | 10,973                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| Hutcherson Phillip Randall<br>9801 HIGHWAY 78<br>BLDG 1<br>LADSON, SC 29456 |               |           | Exec VP, Glbl Sales/Bus.Dvlpmt |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Lenna Ruth Macdonald as attorney-in-fact for Phillip Randall  
Hutcherson

04/08/2009

\*\*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) These shares of common stock vest in the following sequence: 25% vested on 4/6/2009, the day of the grant, and 25% vest on each of 6/30/2009, 9/30/2009 and 12/31/2009.
- (2) These shares of common stock are subject to forfeiture restrictions, whereby the restrictions on 50% of the stock will lapse in three equal installments commencing on April 7, 2010 and ending on April 7, 2012, and the restrictions on the other 50% of the stock will lapse upon the completion of certain performance criteria to be determined on or by April 7, 2010.
- (3) This stock option vests in three equal annual installments, commencing on April 7, 2010.

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