

TUTTLE DONALD S III  
 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 \*  
**TUTTLE DONALD S III**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**EASTERN CO [EML]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**112 BRIDGE STREET**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**11/16/2009**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**NAUGATUCK, CT 06770**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/16/2009		F	12,422 D	\$ 15.35 47,578	D	
Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>	11/16/2009		M	18,750 A	\$ 10.17 66,328	D	
Common Stock					28,825	I	Co-trustee u/a 10/27/98 w/Donald S. Tuttle Jr. Revocable Trust

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Non-qualified stock options (3)	\$ 10.17	11/16/2009		M	18,750	12/15/1999	01/15/2010	Common Stock	18,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TUTTLE DONALD S III 112 BRIDGE STREET NAUGATUCK, CT 06770		X		

## Signatures

Donald S. Tuttle III, by Theresa P. Dews his attorney-in-fact 11/17/2009

\_\_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) 12,422 shares of previously acquired Eastern Company stock were surrendered to Eastern Treasury at the closing price on November 13, 2009 of \$15.35 per share, for the purchase of stock options.
- (2) 18,750 shares were exercised on November 16, 2009 at \$10.17 per share. The original option on 12/15/1999 was for 12,500 shares at \$15.25 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006 this option is now an option for 18,750 shares at \$10.17 per share.
- (3) The original option on 12/15/1999 was for 12,500 shares at \$15.25 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006 this option is now an option for 18,750 shares at \$10.17 per share. 18,750 shares were exercised on November 16, 2009 at \$10.17 per share, leaving a zero balance.

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