

WELLS DARREN R
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FORM 4

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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 *
WELLS DARREN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO /OH/ [GT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Exec Vice Pres & Chf Fin Ofcr

(Last) (First) (Middle)
THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY, 1144 EAST MARKET STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/26/2009

(Street)
AKRON, OH 44316-0001

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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)

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2008 Plan Performance Units ⁽¹⁾	1	02/26/2009		A	20,000	⁽¹⁾	⁽¹⁾	Common Stock	20,000
2008 Plan Option ⁽²⁾	\$ 4.81	02/26/2009		A	83,999	⁽³⁾	02/26/2019	Common Stock	83,999

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WELLS DARREN R THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY 1144 EAST MARKET STREET AKRON, OH 44316-0001			Exec Vice Pres & Chf Fin Ofcr	

Signatures

/s/ Bertram Bell, signing as an attorney-in-fact and agent duly authorized to execute this Form 4 on behalf of Darren R Wells pursuant to a Power of Attorney dated 10/3/02, a copy of which has been previously filed with the SEC. 03/02/2009

__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) Performance Unit Grant of a maximum of 20,000 units (200% of the base number of Units) granted on February 26, 2009 under the 2008 Performance Plan, contingently payable (to the extent earned) 100% in shares of Common Stock, in February, 2012. The grantee may elect to defer (in Common Stock equivalents) all or a portion of the grant earned. Amounts deferred will be paid in shares of Common Stock. The number of Units paid, which can be zero to 20,000 Units, depends 25% on the attainment of a cumulative net income target and 75% on the attainment of a cumulative cash flow target over a 1-year period ending December 31, 2009.
- (2) Non-Qualified Stock Option in respect of shares of common stock granted under the 2008 Performance Plan of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company.
- (3) The option vests and becomes exercisable in 25% increments over four years commencing one year after the date of grant.

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