## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGE	S IN BENEFI	<b>CIAL OWN</b>	<b>ERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Yospe Joseph F  (Last) (First) (Middle)  551 5TH AVENUE						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABM INDUSTRIES INC /DE/ [ ABM ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2009								ck all applic	cable) or (give title	g Pers	10% Ov Other (s below)	vner	
SUITE 300  (Street) NEW YORK NY 10176					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting						
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		Tab	le I - Non-I	Deriva	tive S	Secu	ırities	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	of, or Be	enef	icially	y Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acqui d Of (D) (In			5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F Reporter	es Fori ially (D) ( Following (I) (I		n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	r F	Price	Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			(III3U. 4)	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 01/12/2					2009				A		1,20	1 A		\$0.00	00 9,955 <sup>(2)</sup> D		D		
	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 Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Co	4. Transactior Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da		d 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number o derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Stock Options <sup>(3)</sup>	\$17.9	01/12/2009			A	3	3,758		(4)	0	1/12/2016	Common Stock	3,	758	\$0	3,758		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Dividend equivalent rights (DERs) accrued on the restricted stock units granted under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, which vest in the same manner as the restricted stock units to which they relate. Each DER is the economic equivalent of one share of ABM common stock.
- 2. Includes 9.955 RSUs.
- 3. Stock option grant under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.
- 4.25% exercisable on 1/12/2010 and 25% on the anniversary date of each of the following 3 years.

## Remarks:

By: Barbara L. Smithers, by

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

01/14/2009

power of attorney

Date

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

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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