

Preiss Chad Robert  
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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 \*  
 Preiss Chad Robert

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 WOODWARD GOVERNOR CO [WGOV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/28/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Group Vice President

FORT COLLINS, CO 80525  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial 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)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year)  | (Instr. 8)<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) | Code | V | (A)     | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |
|--|-------------------|---|------|---|---------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Phantom<br>Stock<br>Units                        | <u>11/28/2008</u> | A   |      |   | 706.709 |     | <u>(1)</u>          | <u>(1)</u>         | Woodward<br>Governor<br>Company<br>Common<br>Stock | 706.709                          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |                      |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other |
| Preiss Chad Robert<br>1000 E. DRAKE ROAD<br>FORT COLLINS, CO 80525 |               |           | Group Vice President |       |

## Signatures

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Kathleen A. Waelti by Power of<br>Attorney | 12/02/2008 |
| **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) The reporting person participates in the Woodward Executive Benefit Plan and has elected to have a portion of his Long Term Incentive Plan bonus deferred and denominated in Company stock. Phantom stock units are accrued under the Plan and are to be settled in 100% stock on a one-for-one basis upon separation from the Company. Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Company stock. The total shown represents the dollar amount of deferrals divided by the current share price and, therefore, the number of shares reported may fluctuate from period to period. The total shown also includes shares acquired under the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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