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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Davis Kathy Buckman Issuer Symbol **BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC** (Check all applicable) [BKI] X_ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) **BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES** 12/13/2010 INC., 1001 TILLMAN STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MEMPHIS, TN 38112

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/13/2010		M	10,000	A	\$ 7.57	28,606	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2010		M	10,000	A	\$ 10.4	38,606	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D	rities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.57	12/13/2010		M <u>(1)</u>		10,000	11/03/2006	11/03/2015	Common Stock	10
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.4	12/13/2010		M(2)		10,000	08/17/2005	08/17/2014	Common Stock	10

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				

Davis Kathy Buckman BUCKEYE TECHNOLOGIES INC. 1001 TILLMAN STREET MEMPHIS, TN 38112

X

Signatures

Kathy Buckman Davis Gibson 12/14/2010

**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 stock option becomes exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) The stock option becomes exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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