

WHISLER J STEVEN
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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 *
 WHISLER J STEVEN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO /NEW/ [IP]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY, 6400 POPLAR AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/11/2009

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

(Street)
 MEMPHIS, TN 38197

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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	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)	8. Title and Amount of Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	05/11/2009		A ⁽²⁾	15,042	⁽¹⁾ / ⁽¹⁾	Common Stock	15,042 ⁽³⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHISLER J STEVEN C/O INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY 6400 POPLAR AVENUE MEMPHIS, TN 38197	X			

Signatures

/s/ Erin E. Raccah, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr. Whisler	05/13/2009
**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) The restricted stock units ("units") are payable in cash on January 1 following the year in which the reporting person terminates service as a director.
- (2) The units reported were awarded to the reporting person for his service as a director for the 2009-2010 performance year.
- (3) Share numbers are rounded.

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