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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Clayton Sharon

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

08/03/2009

EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

(Check all applicable)

[EQS]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

10757 RIVER FRONT PARKWAY, SUITE 125

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non-	-Derivative S	Securi	ties Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed o	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Equus Total Return, Inc.	08/03/2009	08/03/2009	S	531,680	D	\$ 3.35	357,458	I	See footnote (1)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month Day/Tear)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	ring es	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Number		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Clayton Sharon 10757 RIVER FRONT PARKWAY SUITE 125 SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095



Signatures

Sharon Clayton 08/04/2009

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).

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