

BRUSH ENGINEERED MATERIALS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 GENDELL JEFFREY L ET AL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 BRUSH ENGINEERED MATERIALS INC [BW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 55 RAILROAD AVE., 3RD FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/24/2006

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

GREENWICH, CT 06830

(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock, no par value      | 05/24/2006                           |  | P                              | 17,400 A (3) \$ 19.02   | 2,326,600   | I  | See Footnotes (1) (2)             |

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 (Instr. 8) | 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GENDELL JEFFREY L ET AL<br>55 RAILROAD AVE., 3RD FLOOR<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey L. Gendell 05/26/2006

\*\*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 is the managing member of Tontine Management, L.L.C. ("TM"), a Delaware limited liability company, the general partner of Tontine Partners, L.P. ("TP"), a Delaware limited partnership. The Reporting Person is also the managing member of Tontine Capital Management, L.L.C. ("TCM"), a Delaware limited liability company, the general partner of Tontine Capital Partners, L.P. ("TCP"), a Delaware limited partnership. The Reporting Person is also the managing member of Tontine Overseas Associates, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("TOA"), the investment adviser to Tontine Capital Overseas Master Fund, L.P., a Cayman Islands partnership ("TCOMF"), Tontine Overseas Fund, Ltd., a Cayman Islands corporation ("TOF") and certain managed accounts.
- (2) The Reporting Person directly owns 0 shares of the Common Stock. TP directly owns 684,530 shares of Common Stock. TCP directly owns 964,600 shares of Common Stock. TCOMF owns 202,400 shares of Common Stock. TOF and certain managed accounts directly own 475,070 shares of Common Stock. All of the foregoing shares of Common Stock may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the Issuer's securities reported herein for purposes of Section 16(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise, except as to securities directly owned by the Reporting Person or representing the Reporting Person's pro rata interest in, and interest in the profits of, TP, TM, TOA, TCOMF and TOF.
- (3) Common Stock purchased by TCOMF.

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