FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* AMBROSE JOSEPH M | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE] | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | |
|--|--|------------|--|-------------------------|----------------|---|-------------------------------|-------|--|-------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 201 WEST MAIN STREET | | | | | 10/2 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/29/2009 | | | | | | | | Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) | | | | |
| (Street) URBANA IL 61801 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (518) | | Zip) ———— e I - No i | n-Deriv | ative | Sec | curitie | es An | auired. | Dis | nosed o | of, or Be | neficia | Ily Owned | <u> </u> | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date | | | | | 2. Transaction | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | 3. Transa Code (| ction | 4. Securit | ties Acquire I Of (D) (Ins | d (A) or | or 5. Amount of | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | Amount (A) or (D) | | Transacti (Instr. 3 a | ion(s) | | | Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 59, | 471 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3,5 | 3,523 | | I f | Custodian for Children | |
| 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) | tle of Z. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed Execution Date Execution Date if any | | | ed 4. Date, Transaction | | ction | 5. Number ion of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | able and | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securitie: Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | e s ally g | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisab | | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Common Stock | \$19.83 | | | | | | | | 01/21/200 | 06 1 | 12/15/2009 | Stock Option | 4,500 | | 4,500 | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | \$19.55 | | | | | | | | 01/15/200 | 08 1 | 12/15/2015 | Stock Option | 4,500 | | 4,500 | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | \$20.71 | | | | | | | | 01/21/200 |)9 1 | 12/15/2011 | Stock Option | 4,500 | | 4,500 | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | \$17.12 | | | | | | | | 05/01/200 |)9 1 | 12/15/2015 | Stock Option | 7,500 | | 7,500 | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | \$7.53 | | | | | | | | 06/01/201 | 10 0 | 06/30/2019 | Stock Option | 7,500 | | 7,500 | 0 | D | |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | (1) | 10/29/2009 | | | P | | 5 | | (1) | | (1) | Common | (1) | \$100,000 | 5 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. On October 29, 2009, the reporting person purchased 5 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock ("Preferred Stock") from the Company. The Preferred Stock is perpetual and each share has a liquidation preference of \$100,000. The Preferred Stock is mandatorily convertible into shares of common stock at a conversion price of \$4.00.00. The shares of Preferred Stock will convert automatically following Stockholder approval of the conversion. The Company is holding a Special Meeting of Stockholders on December 2, 2009 for that purpose. Therefore, if Stockholder approval is received at the Special Meeting, the reporting person will receive 125,000 shares of common stock upon the conversion of the Preferred Stock.

Remarks:

/s/ Joseph M. Ambrose

11/02/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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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