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* OBRIEN JOSEPH EDWARD | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE] | | | | | | | | | | | onship all appli Directo | • | | son(s) to Iss | | |
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| (Last) 5416 N. | (FI | * | (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2006 | | | | | | | | | | | Officer below) | (give title | | Other (s | specify | |
| (Street) PEORIA | | | 61614 | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (5 | | (Zip) | n-Deriv | ative | | curiti | <u></u> | | ıired | Dier | nosed (| of or | | eficial | llv C |)wner | · | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | | action | ar) i | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | 3. 4. S Transaction Dis Code (Instr. 5) | | | ities Acc | uired | | or 5. Amo 4 and Securit Benefic Owned | | int of es ally Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A (D |) or) | Price | - [1 | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| Common Stock 05/22/ | | | | | | | 2006 | | | A | | 1,25 | 1,257 A | | \$20. | 1 | 17,757 | | | D | | |
| Common Stock 05/23/ | | | | | 3/2006 | 5 | | | | A | | 2,50 | 0 | A | \$20.07 | | 20,257 | | | D | | |
| | | Т | able II - | | | | | | | | | sed of onverti | | | | / Ow | vned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transactio Code (Inst 8) | | | | 6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year | | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | Deri Seci | Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | ly | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Dai | te ercisable | | opiration | Title | 0 | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | | |
| Stock Option | \$20.71 | | | | | | | | 01 | /21/2009 | 12 | 2/15/2001 | Comm Stock | on | 4,500 | | | 4,500 | | D | | |
| Stock Option | \$19.83 | | | | | | | | 01 | /21/2006 | 12 | 2/15/2009 | Comm | | 4,500 | | | 4,500 | | D | | |
| Stock Option | \$18.07 | | | | | | | | 01 | /21/2005 | 12 | 2/15/2008 | Comm | | 4,500 | | | 4,500 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Joseph E. O'Brien

05/23/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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