

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KUHL BARBARA J</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>President - First Busey Corp.</u>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/20/2004</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
<u>101 GREENCROFT DR.</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <u>CHAMPAIGN IL 61821</u>								
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common	01/20/2004	01/20/2004	G		7.5	D	\$0.00	114,660	D	
Common	08/13/2004	08/13/2004	M		6,600	A	\$0.00	121,260	D	
Common								13,875.2496	I	ESOP Plan
Common								3,037.953	I	401(k) / profit Sharing Plan
Common								145,397.79	I	Spouse
Common								25,156.9937	I	Spouse ESOP Plan
Common								11,268.033	I	Spouse 401(k)/Profit Sharing Plan

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)	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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option	\$11.1667	08/13/2004	08/13/2004	M		6,600		07/01/2003	09/30/2004	Common	6,600	\$0.00	0	D	
Stock Option	\$11.9167							01/15/2002	12/15/2005	Common	11,250		0	D	
Stock Option	\$14.5593							04/16/2005	12/16/2010	Common	30,000		0	D	
Stock Option	\$11.9167							01/15/2002	12/15/2005	Common	11,250		0	I	Spouse
Stock Option	\$14.5593							04/16/2005	12/16/2010	Common	30,000		0	I	Spouse

Explanation of Responses:

Nicole M. Warren - POA 08/16/2004
** 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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