

Bessette Michael D
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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 *
 Bessette Michael D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ROGERS CORP [ROG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/07/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

ONE TECHNOLOGY DRIVE, P.O. BOX 188

VP Advanced Circuit Materials

(Street)

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

ROGERS, CT 06263-0188

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am or Num of S |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 23.86 | 05/07/2009 ⁽¹⁾ | A | 20,050 | | | | | 02/11/2011 ⁽²⁾ | 02/11/2019 | Capital (Common) Stock | 20 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bessette Michael D ONE TECHNOLOGY DRIVE, P.O. BOX 188 ROGERS, CT 06263-0188 | | | VP Advanced Circuit Materials | |

Signatures

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| Alice. R. Tetreault as Power of Attorney | 05/07/2009 |
| **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) This stock option grant was approved by the Compensation and Organization Committee of the Board of Directors on February 11, 2009, but subject to shareholder approval of the Rogers Corporation 2009 Long-Term Equity Compensation Plan and such approval was obtained on May 7, 2009.
 - (2) This Non-Qualified Stock Option is granted pursuant to the 2009 Long-Term Equity Compensation Plan and is exercisable in one-third increments on the second, third and fourth anniversary dates of the grant (2/11/09).
 - (3) Mr. Bessette also indirectly owns 2,109.8020 shares of Rogers Corporation Capital (Common) Stock through the Company's 401(k) plan.

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