

KNOX E PHILLIPS  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**KNOX E PHILLIPS**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

201 WEST MAIN STREET

(Street)

URBANA, IL 61801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE]**

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

10/29/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

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**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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	V Amount Price		E. Phillips Knox, Trustee, E. Phillips Knox Trust 01/22/1996
Common Stock					235,356	I	
Common Stock					4,700	D	
Common Stock					77,500	I	Spouse

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 (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. Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock	\$ 19.83					01/21/2006 12/15/2009	Stock Option	4,500
Common Stock	\$ 19.55					01/15/2008 12/15/2015	Stock Option	4,500
Common Stock	\$ 20.71					01/21/2009 12/15/2011	Stock Option	4,500
Common Stock	\$ 17.12					05/01/2009 12/15/2009	Stock Option	7,500
Common Stock	\$ 7.53					06/01/2010 06/30/2019	Stock Option	7,500
Series A Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	10/29/2009		P	1	(1) (1)	Common	(1)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KNOX E PHILLIPS 201 WEST MAIN STREET URBANA, IL 61801	X			

## Signatures

/s/ E. Phillips  
Knox

11/02/2009

\_\_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) On October 29, 2009, the reporting person purchased 1 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. 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 25,000 shares of common stock upon the conversion of the Preferred Stock.

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