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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ellis B Herbert			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
			FORCE PROTECTION INC [FRPT]			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
2394 CROSS TIMBERS DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2010	XDirector10% OwnerOfficer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
MT. PLEASANT, SC 29464				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Securities	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	(Monda Bay) Tear)	any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A)	Reported Transaction(s)		
			Code V	or Amount (D) Pri	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/16/2010		A	$\frac{7,648}{(1)}$ A \$0	19,086	D	

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)

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5	Derivative Security Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	s I		Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code V	<i></i>	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Amour or Number of	er	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ellis B Herbert						

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Signatures

/s/ Lenna Ruth Macdonald as Attorney in Fact for B. Herbert Ellis

02/18/2010

**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) These shares of common stock are subject to forfeiture restrictions, which lapse in three equal installments commencing on February 16, 2011 and ending February 16, 2013.

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