HAWK E BLAKE

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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Adda HAWK E BLA	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP [CCI]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1220 AUGUSTA, SUITE 500		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/20/2009	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & General Counsel			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON, T	X 77057			Form filed by More than One Reporting			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Perivative Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	mr Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership

(Instr. 3)		(1.201.1.2.2.1)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
	Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value	07/20/2009		M	14,264 (1)	A	\$ 20.063	520,361	D	
	Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value	07/20/2009		S	14,264 (1)	D	\$ 26	506,097	D	
	Common Stock \$0.01 Par							365 <u>(2)</u>	I	By 401 (k) Plan

401 (k) Plan

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to purchase Common	\$ 20.063	07/20/2009		M		4,264 (1)	(3)	07/30/2009	Common Stock	14,264

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

HAWK E BLAKE 1220 AUGUSTA **SUITE 500** HOUSTON, TX 77057

Stock)

EVP & General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ E. Blake 07/21/2009 Hawk

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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- 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).
- The option exercises and sales reported pursuant to this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.
- Represents shares previously acquired in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

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(3) Vested one-third upon grant, one-third on January 12, 2000 (upon the Company's common stock achieving a pre-established target price), and one-third on March 30, 2000 (upon the Company's common stock achieving a pre-established target price).

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