

Wessel Michael
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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 *
 Wessel Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO /OH/ [GT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY, 1144 EAST MARKET STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/02/2009

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

(Street)

AKRON, OH 44316-0001

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 | 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)

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| 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾ | <u>(2)</u> | 01/02/2009 | | A | 3,648.2 | <u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u> | Common Stock | 3,648.2 \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Wessel Michael THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY 1144 EAST MARKET STREET AKRON, OH 44316-0001 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Anthony E Miller, signing as an attorney-in-fact and agent duly authorized to execute this Form 4 on behalf of Michael Wessel pursuant to a Power of Attorney dated 12/07/05, a copy of which has been previously filed with the SEC.

01/05/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Restricted Stock Units ("RSU"), each equivalent to a share of the common stock of the Company and payable only in common stock, (1) awarded pursuant to the Company's Outside Directors' Equity Participation Plan, as amended (the "Plan"), and accrued to the Equity Participation Account of the reporting person in accordance with the Plan.

(2) Each RSU was valued at the fair market value (the closing market price on the NYSE) on the Transaction Date. Each RSU will be converted to a share of common stock on fifth business day of the calendar quarter following the quarter of the Director's separation from Board service.

(3) Total RSUs accrued to the Equity Participation Account of the reporting person as of the date of this statement.

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