

AMBROSE JOSEPH M  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
AMBROSE JOSEPH M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
201 W MAIN ST  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/10/2008

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

URBANA, IL 61801  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 or Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/10/2008		M	4,500 A \$ 18.07	61,629	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2008		F	4,136 D \$ 19.66	57,493	D	
Common Stock					3,445	I	Custodian for Children

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	\$ 18.07	11/10/2008		M	4,500	01/21/2005 12/15/2008	Stock Option	4,500
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 12/15/2015	Stock Option	7,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AMBROSE JOSEPH M 201 W MAIN ST URBANA, IL 61801		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Joseph M. Ambrose 02/10/2009

\*\*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).

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