ESCO TECHNOLOGIES INC

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MUENSTER GARY E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ESCO TECHNOLOGIES INC [ESE]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First) (3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)		
(Mon			(Month/Day/Year) 01/23/2009				Director 10% Owner Softicer (give title Other (specify below) below) Exec. VP & CFO		
	(Street)	4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ST. LOUIS	, MO 63124		Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	able I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	ransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) ode (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) nstr. 8) (A) or		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	01/23/2009		M	24,000	A	\$ 5.39	163,693	D	
Common	01/23/2009		M	10,000	A	\$ 5.81	173,693	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)

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)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.39	01/23/2009		M	24,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/09/2009	Common Stock	24,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.81	01/23/2009		M	10,000	(3)	11/11/2009	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

MUENSTER GARY E C/O ESCO TECHNOLOGIES INC 9900 A CLAYTON ROAD ST. LOUIS, MO 63124

Exec. VP & CFO

Signatures

G. E. Muenster 01/26/2009

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) 8,000 shares each on 10-01-2000, 10-01-2001 and 10-01-2002
- (2) Not applicable
- (3) 3,333 shares each on 11-11-2000 and 11-11-2001. 3,334 shares on 11-11-2002.

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