

BAILEY H C JR
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
BAILEY H C JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EASTGROUP PROPERTIES INC
[EGP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
162 E. AMITE STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/21/2009

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

JACKSON, MS 39201
(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | | | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 05/21/2009 | | M | | | 2,250 | A | \$ 20.25 | 15,040 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 5,248 | I | Note <u>(1)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 3,736 | I | Note <u>(2)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 2,116 | I | Note <u>(3)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 2,116 | I | Note <u>(4)</u> |

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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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options | \$ 20.25 | 05/21/2009 | | M | 2,250 | 06/02/1999 06/01/2009 | Common Stock | 2,250 |
| Stock Options | \$ 21.75 | | | | | 06/01/2000 05/31/2010 | Common Stock | 2,250 |
| Stock Options | \$ 21.4 | | | | | 06/04/2001 06/03/2011 | Common Stock | 2,250 |
| Stock Options | \$ 24.02 | | | | | 05/29/2002 05/28/2012 | Common Stock | 2,250 |
| Stock Options | \$ 26.6 | | | | | 05/29/2003 05/28/2013 | Common Stock | 2,250 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BAILEY H C JR 162 E. AMITE STREET JACKSON, MS 39201 | | X | | |

Signatures

Michael C. Donlon, Attorney-in-Fact for H. C. Bailey, Jr. 05/21/2009

**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).

- (1) Owned by a company of which the reporting person is Chairman and President.
- (2) Owned by a limited partnership of which the reporting person is a limited partner.
- (3) Owned by a limited partnership of which the reporting person is President.
- (4) Owned by a limited partnership of which the reporting person is Vice President.

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