VULCAN MATERIALS CO
Reported by
BAKER JOHN D II

FORM 4
(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
   BAKER JOHN D II
   1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE
   BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
   Vulcan Materials CO [ VMC ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)
   10/10/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
   __X__ Director  ____ 10% Owner
   ____ Officer (give title below)  ____ Other (specify below)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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<tr>
<th>Title of Security</th>
<th>2. Trans. Date</th>
<th>2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)</th>
<th>4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Phantom Stock</td>
<td>10/10/2008</td>
<td>A (2)</td>
<td>110.97</td>
<td>(A) or (D)</td>
<td>(A) or (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)</td>
<td>Direct (D)</td>
<td>Type (V)</td>
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<td>Phantom Stock</td>
<td>10/11/2008</td>
<td>A (2)</td>
<td>228.68</td>
<td>(A) or (D)</td>
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)</th>
<th>2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivate Security</th>
<th>3. Trans. Date</th>
<th>3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)</th>
<th>5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</th>
<th>7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)</th>
<th>9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<td>Phantom Stock (Deferred Compensation)</td>
<td>(1)</td>
<td>10/10/2008</td>
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<td>A (2)</td>
<td>110.97</td>
<td>(A) or (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)</td>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>110.97</td>
<td>$72.09</td>
<td>1020.05</td>
<td>Direct (D)</td>
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<td>Phantom Stock (Deferred Compensation)</td>
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<td>10/11/2008</td>
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<td>A (2)</td>
<td>228.68</td>
<td>(A) or (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)</td>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>228.68</td>
<td>$71.06</td>
<td>1248.73</td>
<td>Direct (D)</td>
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Explanation of Responses:

(1) Convertible on a 1-for-1 basis.
(2) Director's fees credited to the reporting person's account in accordance with the Vulcan Materials Company Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan.
(3) The units are to be settled in Vulcan common stock commencing at the retirement of the reporting person.

Reporting Owners

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<th>Reporting Owner Name / Address</th>
<th>Relationships</th>
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<tr>
<td>BAKER JOHN D II</td>
<td>Director</td>
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<td>1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE</td>
<td>10% Owner</td>
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<td>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242</td>
<td>Officer</td>
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Signatures

Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.
* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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