VULCAN MATERIALS CO
Reported by
FARMER PHILLIP W

FORM 4
(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

Filed 12/15/08 for the Period Ending 12/11/08

Address 1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE
          BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242
Telephone 2052983000
CIK 0001396009
Symbol VMC
Fiscal Year 12/31
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 *
FARMER PHILLIP W
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)
12/11/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
__ X __ Director
_____ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below)
_____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
_ X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

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<tr>
<th>1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)</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 (Deferred Compensation)</td>
<td>12/11/2008</td>
<td>A (2)</td>
<td>52.597</td>
<td>(3)</td>
<td>52.597</td>
<td>$57,037</td>
<td>14626.729</td>
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<td>Phantom Stock (Deferred Compensation)</td>
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<td>A (2)</td>
<td>282.103</td>
<td>(3)</td>
<td>282.103</td>
<td>$57,603</td>
<td>14908.832</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
Reporting Owner Name / Address: FARMER PHILLIP W
1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242
Relationships: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other

X
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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