

TRUEBLUE, INC.
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WHEELER NOEL S

FORM 4
(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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CIK	0000768899
Symbol	TBI
SIC Code	7363 - Help Supply Services
Industry	Business Services
Sector	Services
Fiscal Year	12/31

FORM 4

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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 *		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
Wheeler Noel S		TrueBlue, Inc. [TBI]		<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Pres. - Skilled Trades Group	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)		
			2/6/2009		
1015 A. STREET, P.O. BOX 2910			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		
(Street)					
TACOMA, WA 98402-5113			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(City) (State) (Zip)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common stock	2/6/2009		A		19824 (1)	A	\$0	54864	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Options (Right to buy)	\$9.08	2/6/2009		A		38462		2/6/2012 (2)	2/6/2016	Common stock	38462	\$0	38462	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The shares acquired represent a grant of restricted stock that will vest over a 3-year period in equal annual installments.
- (2) Options subject to this grant vest on February 6, 2012.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wheeler Noel S 1015 A. STREET P.O. BOX 2910 TACOMA, WA 98402-5113			Pres. - Skilled Trades Group	

Signatures

Matthew S. Topham, Attorney-in-fact

2/10/2009

** 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).

** 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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