

# TRUEBLUE, INC.

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**WHEELER NOEL S**

## FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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

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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)	
<b>Wheeler Noel S</b>		<b>TrueBlue, Inc. [ TBI ]</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Director <span style="float:right"><input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</span> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <span style="float:right"><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)</span> <b>EVP, TrueBlue Operations</b>	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)		
			<b>7/24/2009</b>		
1015 A. STREET, P.O. BOX 2910			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(Street)					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
TACOMA, WA 98402					
(City)			(State)		(Zip)

**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	7/24/2009		A		9310 (1)	A	\$0	64174	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				

**Explanation of Responses:**

(1) The shares acquired represent a grant of restricted stock that will vest over a three year period in equal annual installments.

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>Wheeler Noel S 1015 A. STREET P.O. BOX 2910 TACOMA, WA 98402</b>			<b>EVP, TrueBlue Operations</b>	

**Signatures**

**Todd N. Gilman, Attorney-in-fact**

**7/28/2009**

\*\* 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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Power of Attorney

1. Designation of Attorneys-in-Fact. The undersigned, hereby designates each of James E. Defebaugh, Joanna S. Monroe, Todd N. Gilman, Matthew S. Topham, and Chris K. Visser, individuals with full power of substitution, as my attorney-in-fact to act for me and in my name, place and stead, and on my behalf in connection with the matters set forth in Item 2 below.

2. Powers of Attorney-in-Fact. Each attorney-in-fact, as fiduciary, shall have the authority to sign all such U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") reports, forms and other filings, specifically including but not limited to Forms 3, 4, 5 and 144, as such attorney-in-fact deems necessary or desirable in connection with the satisfaction of my reporting obligations under the rules and regulations of the SEC.

3. Effectiveness. This power of attorney shall become effective upon the execution of this document.

4. Duration. This power of attorney shall remain in effect until revoked by me. This power of attorney shall not be affected by disability of the principal.

5. Revocation. This power of attorney may be revoked in writing at any time by my giving written notice to the attorney-in-fact. If this power of attorney has been recorded, the written notice of revocation shall also be recorded.

Date: April 29, 2009.

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Noel S. Wheeler

STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
COUNTY OF PIERCE )

SIGNED OR ATTESTED before me on 04/29/09 by Noel S. Wheeler.

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Signature of Notary Public

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(SEAL) Typed Name of Notary Public  
Residing at: Lacey, WA 98516  
My Commission Expires: 09/15/12