

HOSTER DAVID H II  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
HOSTER DAVID H II

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)  
190 EAST CAPITOL STREET, SUITE 400  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/07/2013

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

JACKSON, MS 39201

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/07/2013		A		14,068	A	<u>(1)</u> 240,662
Common Stock	03/07/2013		F		912	D	\$ 56.89 <u>(2)</u> 239,750
Common Stock	03/07/2013		A		19,630	A	<u>(3)</u> 259,380
Common Stock	03/07/2013		F		1,590	D	\$ 56.89 <u>(5)</u> 257,790 <u>(4)</u>



## 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) Award of restricted shares as 2012 annual long-term incentive compensation pursuant to the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended. These restricted shares vest one-fifth on the date of grant, one-fifth on each of January 1, 2014 and 2015 and the remainder of the restricted shares vest January 1, 2016.

(2) On March 7, 2013, 2,814 restricted shares vested and the Reporting Person instructed the Company to withhold 912 shares to cover tax withholding obligations as permitted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.

(3) Award of restricted shares as 2012 multi-year long-term incentive compensation pursuant to the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended. These restricted shares vest one-fourth on the date of grant, and one-fourth on each of January 1, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

(4) On March 7, 2013, 4,908 restricted shares vested and the Reporting Person instructed the Company to withhold 1,590 shares to cover tax withholding obligations as permitted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.

(5) As of the date hereof, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes 71,503 restricted shares granted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, that have not yet vested.

(6) These shares are held in a family trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children. The Reporting Person's spouse is trustee of the trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(7) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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