

FOREST CITY ENTERPRISES INC  
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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 \*  
 COWEN SCOTT S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FOREST CITY ENTERPRISES INC  
 [FCEA/FCEB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 218 GIBSON HALL, TULANE  
 UNIVERSITY, 6823 ST. CHARLES  
 AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/14/2010

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

(Street)  
 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70118

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock					10,099	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Class A Common Stock					885	D <sup>(2)</sup>	
Class A Common Stock	04/14/2010		A	5,034 A	\$ 0 5,034	D <sup>(3)</sup>	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
2003 Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 15.5					03/17/2005 <sup>(4)</sup> 03/17/2013	Class A Common	21,600
2005 Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 31.75					04/06/2007 <sup>(5)</sup> 04/06/2015	Class A Common	10,800
2006 Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 46.37					04/04/2008 <sup>(6)</sup> 04/04/2016	Class A Common	10,800
2007 Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 65.35					03/29/2009 <sup>(7)</sup> 03/29/2017	Class A Common	10,800
2009 Stock	\$ 7.8					04/21/2010 04/21/2019	Class A Common	10,966

Option  
Grant  
(right to  
buy)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COWEN SCOTT S 218 GIBSON HALL, TULANE UNIVERSITY 6823 ST. CHARLES AVENUE NEW ORLEANS, LA 70118	X			

## Signatures

Geralyn M. Presti, Attorney-In-Fact for Scott S.  
Cowen 04/16/2010

    \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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) Shares are held in street account.
- (2) 2008 Restricted Stock Grant - 33.33% vest on 4/07/2009; 33.33% vest on 4/07/2010; and 33.33% vest on 4/07/2011. 884 shares vested on 4/07/10 and were moved to street account footnote #1.
- (3) 2010 Restricted Stock Grant - 33.33% vest on 4/14/2011; 33.33% vest on 4/14/2012; and 33.33% vest on 4/14/2013.
- (4) 2003 Stock Option Grant - 25% exercisable 3/17/2005; 25% exercisable 3/17/2006; and 50% exercisable 3/17/2007.
- (5) 2005 Stock Option Grant - 25% exercisable 4/06/2007; 25% exercisable 4/06/2008; and 50% exercisable 4/06/2009.
- (6) 2006 Stock Option Grant - 25% exercisable on 4/04/2008; 25% exercisable on 4/04/2009; and 50% exercisable on 4/04/2010.
- (7) 2007 Stock Option Grant - 25% exercisable on 3/29/2009; 25% exercisable on 3/29/2010; and 50% exercisable on 3/29/2011.
- (8) 2009 Stock Option Grant - 33.33% exercisable 4/21/2010; 33.33% exercisable 4/21/2011; and 33.33% exercisable 4/21/2012.

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