

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KNOX E PHILLIPS</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [ BUSE ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>10/29/2009</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
<u>201 WEST MAIN STREET</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street)	<u>URBANA</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>61801</u>					
(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								235,356	I	E. Phillips Knox, Trustee, E. Phillips Knox Trust 01/22/1996
Common Stock								4,700	D	
Common Stock								77,500	I	Spouse

**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 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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Common Stock	\$19.83							01/21/2006	12/15/2009	Stock Option	4,500	4,500	D	
Common Stock	\$19.55							01/15/2008	12/15/2015	Stock Option	4,500	4,500	D	
Common Stock	\$20.71							01/21/2009	12/15/2011	Stock Option	4,500	4,500	D	
Common Stock	\$17.12							05/01/2009	12/15/2009	Stock Option	7,500	7,500	D	
Common Stock	\$7.53							06/01/2010	06/30/2019	Stock Option	7,500	7,500	D	
Series A Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	10/29/2009		P		1		(1)	(1)	Common	(1)	\$100,000	1	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. On October 29, 2009, the reporting person purchased 1 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock ("Preferred Stock") from the Company. The Preferred Stock is perpetual and each share has a liquidation preference of \$100,000. The Preferred Stock is mandatorily convertible into shares of common stock at a conversion price of \$4.00. The shares of Preferred Stock will convert automatically following Stockholder approval of the conversion. The Company is holding a Special Meeting of Stockholders on December 2, 2009 for that purpose. Therefore, if Stockholder approval is received at the Special Meeting, the reporting person will receive 25,000 shares of common stock upon the conversion of the Preferred Stock.

**Remarks:**

/s/ E. Phillips Knox

11/02/2009

\*\* 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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