FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Valiaveedan David G. |   |  |   |        |  | HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC [ HOV ]                           |   |      |   |        |                             |   |   |                         | ck all applic   | r<br>(give title  |                | 10% Ow<br>Other (s<br>below)   | /ner  |  |
|--|---|--|---|--------|--|---|---|------|---|--------|-----------------------------|---|---|-------------------------|---|---|----------------|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 110 WEST FRONT STREET                  |   |  |   |        |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/12/2009 |   |      |   |        |                             |   |   |                         | Vice President Finance                                    |   |                |  |   |  |
| (Street) RED BANK NJ 07701 (City) (State) (Zip)                |   |  |   | _      | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |   |      |   |        |                             |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable<br>Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person |                         |   |   |                |  |   |  |
|  |   | Tab  | le I - Nor  | n-Deri | vativ  | e Se  | curities  | s Ac | quired,   | Disp   | osed o                      | f, or Be  | nefic   | ially                   | Owned   |   |                |  |   |  |
| Date   |   |  |   | Date   | nsactior<br>h/Day/Y                                      | ear)  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |      | Transaction Di  |        | 4. Securi<br>Disposed<br>5) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5) |   |                         | 5. Amour<br>Securitie<br>Beneficia<br>Owned F<br>Reported | es For<br>ally (D)<br>Following (I) (   |                | : Direct<br>r Indirect<br>str. 4)  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |   |  |   |        |  |   |   | Code | v   | Amount | unt (A) or (D)              |   | ce  | Transact<br>(Instr. 3 a | ion(s)  |   |                | (instr. 4)   |   |  |
| Class A Common Stock 06/12/                                    |   |  |   |        | 12/200   | /2009   |   | A    |   | 1,458  | В А                         |   | \$ <mark>0</mark>   | 2,8                     | 2,825   |   | D              |  |   |  |
|  |   | -  | Гable II -  |        |  |   |   |      | uired, D<br>, option                                  |        |                             |   |   |                         | Owned   |   |                | ·  |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)            | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemee<br>Execution I<br>if any<br>(Month/Day | Date,  | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8)                             |   | of  |      | 6. Date Exercisa<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Yea |        |                             | of Securi<br>Underlyir<br>Derivativ                           | . Title and Amount<br>of Securities<br>Inderlying<br>berivative Security<br>Instr. 3 and 4)   |                         | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)       | 9. Numbe<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficia<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactie<br>(Instr. 4) | e<br>S<br>Illy | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)                             |  |
|  |   |  |   |        | Code   | v   | (A)   |      | Date<br>Exercisabl                                    |        | xpiration<br>late           | Title   | Amou<br>or<br>Numb<br>of<br>Share   | ber                     |   |   |                |  |   |  |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(right to                       | \$2.55  | 06/12/2009                                 |   |        | A  |   | 13,125  |      | (1)   | 0      | 6/11/2019                   | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock                                    | 13,1  | 25                      | \$0 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 13,12   | 5              | D  |   |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on June 12, 2011
- 2. N/A

## Remarks:

Nancy A. Marrazzo Attorney-

06/15/2009

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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