

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) 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)
ANDERSON GENE H	HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC [HIW]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)
C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC., 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600	3/9/2011	
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
RALEIGH, NC 27604		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M		4228	A	\$18.89	67166	D	
Common Stock	3/9/2011	3/9/2001	M		34417	A	\$26.15	101583	D	
Common Stock	3/9/2011	3/9/2001	M		36964	A	\$26.27	138547	D	
Common Stock	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M		12147	A	\$29.48	150694	D	
Common Stock	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M		13773	A	\$32.37	164467	D	
Common Stock	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	S		101529	D	\$34.63 (1)(2)	62938	D	
Common Stock								3897	I	By Spouse
Common Stock								63947	I	By Partnership

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			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$18.89	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M			4228	(3)	2/29/2016	Common Stock	4228	\$18.89	4227	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$26.15	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M			34417	(3)	2/28/2014	Common Stock	34417	\$26.15	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$26.27	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M			36964	(3)	2/29/2012	Common Stock	36964	\$26.27	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$29.48	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M			12147	(3)	3/2/2015	Common Stock	12147	\$29.48	4048	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$32.37	3/9/2011	3/9/2011	M			13773	(3)	2/28/2013	Common Stock	13773	\$32.37	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents the weighted average sale price. Sale prices range from \$34.49- \$34.78
- (2) The reporting person upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, agrees to disclose full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Options vests ratably over 4 years on March 1st of each year after the grant date.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ANDERSON GENE H C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC. 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600 RALEIGH, NC 27604	X			

Signatures

/s/ Willis B. Howard Attorney-in-fact for Gene H. Anderson

3/10/2011

—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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