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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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)				
ORR L GLENN JR						HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC [ HIW ]								X Director	X Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)				3	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)								Officer (giv	e title below	v)O	ther (specify	below)	
C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC., 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600						12/21/2012													
(Street)				4	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)								YY) 6. Individual o	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
RALEIGH, NC 27604 (City) (State) (Zip)															X_Form filed by One Reporting Person 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. Dee Execution Date, if	n (Instr. 8)		ode	4. Securities Acquire Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			(A) o		`			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price				or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(msu. 4)	
Common Stock				12/21/2012		12/21/2012		S		14948	8 D \$33.47 (1)(2)		)(2)	15505		D			
Common Stock 12/21/2				12/21/201	12	2 12/21/2012		P		14948 (1)		\$33.48 (1)(2)		)(2)	30453		D		
	Tabl	le II - Deri	ivativ	e Secur	ities	s Bene	ficially	Owned	( e.	g., puts	, calls	s, wa	rran	its, options, conve	rtible sec	eurities)			
Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	Execu				Derivativ Acquired Disposed			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date			Securi Deriva	e and Amount of ities Underlying ative Security 3 and 4)	Jnderlying Derivative Security Security		Form of	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	Security				Code	v v	(A)	(D)		ate xercisable	Expira Date	ition		Amount or Number of Shares		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	or Indirect		

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) Per share sale prices ranged from \$33.42 to \$33.54 and per share purchase prices ranged from \$33.41 to \$33.54 per share. The issuer has reviewed short-swing profit liability rules with the reporting person. Although the weighted average per share purchase price of \$33.48 exceeded the weighted average per share sales price of \$33.47 with respect to all of the sales and purchases on a combined basis, the reporting person understands that he may be deemed to have engaged in transactions resulting in a "profit" in the amount of \$279.22 pursuant to the matching rules under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. As a result, arrangements have been made with the reporting person for the return to the issuer of these "profits."
- (2) Reporting person upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, will disclose full information regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price.

### **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ORR L GLENN JR								
C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.	X							
3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600	Λ							
RALEIGH, NC 27604								

#### **Signatures**

/s/Willis B. Howard Attorney-in-fact for L. Glenn Orr, Jr.

12/26/2012

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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