Hutcherson Phillip Randall Form 4 March 04, 2011

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **Hutcherson Phillip Randall** Issuer Symbol FORCE PROTECTION INC [FRPT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify 1520 OLD TROLLEY ROAD 03/02/2011 below) Chief Operating Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SUMMERVILLE, SC 29485 Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuritie	es Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transactio Code	4. Securitin(A) or Dis	•		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4	(A) or	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/02/2011		A	71,780 (1)	A S	\$ 0	181,385	D	

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.78	03/02/2011		A	29,349	(2)	03/02/2021	Common Stock	29,349

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Hutcherson Phillip Randall								
1520 OLD TROLLEY ROAD			Chief Operating Officer					
SUMMERVILLE, SC 29485								

Signatures

/s/ Lenna Ruth Macdonald, as attorney in fact for Phillip Randall Hutcherson

03/04/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).
- These shares of common stock are subject to forfeiture restrictions, whereby the restrictions on 50% of the stock will lapse in three equal (1) annual installments commencing on March 2, 2012, and the restrictions on the other 50% of the stock will lapse upon the completion of certain performance criteria to be determined on or by March 2, 2012.
- (2) These stock options vest in three annual equal installments, commencing on March 2, 2012.

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