

Sandlin Terrill  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Sandlin Terrill

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ENERGY RECOVERY,  
 INC., 1908 DOOLITTLE DRIVE

(Street)

SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Energy Recovery, Inc. [ERII]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/01/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

VP of Manufacturing

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.13	07/01/2009	A	10,000					(1)	06/30/2019	Common Stock	10,000
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/01/2009	A	4,000					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	4,000

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sandlin Terrill C/O ENERGY RECOVERY, INC. 1908 DOOLITTLE DRIVE SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577			VP of Manufacturing	

### Signatures

/s/Thomas Willardson, attorney-in-fact for Terrill Sandlin  
 Sandlin  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 07/06/2009  
 Date

### Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) All shares vest 1/4th on the 1 year anniversary of the vesting commencement date of 07/01/2009 and 1/48th monthly thereafter.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of ERI common stock or its equivalent.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest over four years with 1/4 of the restricted stock units vesting on each anniversary of the vesting commencement date of 07/01/2009.

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