#### **KNOX E PHILLIPS**

Form 5

February 10, 2009

#### **OMB APPROVAL** FORM 5

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

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Transactions Reported

1. Name and Ad KNOX E PH	_	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE] 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended	(Check all applicable)			
	(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008		• '	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
201 W MAIN	I ST			below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting			
				(check applicable line)			

### URBANA, ILÂ 61801

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(City)	(State)	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-Deri	ivative Sec	urities	Acqui	red, 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 (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	ransaction (A) or Disposed of ode (D) nstr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		of	5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned at end of Issuer's (Instr. 4) Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/20/2008	Â	G	30,000	D	\$ 0	236,056	I	E. Phillips Kox, Trustee, E. Phillips Knox Trust 01/22/96	
Common Stock	12/09/2008	Â	G	700	D	\$0	235,356	I	E. Phillips Knox, Trustee, E.	

									Phillipps Knox Trust 01/22/96
Common Stock	08/20/2008	Â	G	30,000	A	\$ 0	77,500	I	Spouse
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	4,700	D	Â
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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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Day (Month/Day/Y			nd Amount ying s nd 4)	8. P Der Sec (Ins
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock	\$ 19.83	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/21/2006	12/15/2009	Stock Option	4,500	
Common Stock	\$ 19.55	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/15/2008	12/15/2015	Stock Option	4,500	
Common Stock	\$ 20.71	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/21/2009	12/15/2011	Stock Option	4,500	
Common Stock	\$ 17.12	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/01/2009	12/15/2009	Stock Option	7,500	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KNOX E PHILLIPS 201 W MAIN ST URBANA, IL 61801	ÂΧ	Â	Â	Â				

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## **Signatures**

/s/ E. Phillips Knox 02/10/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

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