

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>LOWE J M JR</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>555 IH 35 SOUTH, SUITE 500</u> (Street) <u>NEW TX 78130</u> <u>BRAUNFELS TX 78130</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RUSH ENTERPRISES INC \TX\ [RUSH]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/13/2009</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) <u>X</u> Other (specify below) <u>Retired Officer & Consultant</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <u>X</u> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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 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			
Class A Common Stock	03/13/2009		A		3,900 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	6,500	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/17/2009		S		866	D	\$7.8761 ⁽²⁾	5,634	D	

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)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Option (right to buy)	\$7.67	03/13/2009		A		19,500		(3)	03/13/2019	Class A Common	19,500	\$0	19,500	D

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares represent a restricted stock award and vest in increments of 1/3 on each of the first, second and third anniversary of the grant date.
2. Reflects aggregate reporting of multiple open market transactions. The Reporting Person will provide, upon request by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price. The price reported is the weighted average sales price of share sales occurring at prices ranging from \$7.86 to \$7.89 per share.
3. Options may be exercised in increments of 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date beginning on the third anniversary of the grant date.

Steven L. Keller, Attorney-in-Fact for J.M. Lowe, Jr.
03/18/2009

** 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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