## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  TRAUSCHT DONALD C |   |  |  |                            |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ESCO TECHNOLOGIES INC [ ESE ] |   |       |  |     |   |       |               |  | neck all a  | hip of Reportir<br>pplicable)<br>ector                            |                                       | Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner |  |
|---|---|--|--|----------------------------|---|---|---|-------|--|-----|---|-------|---------------|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
|   |   | OLOGIES INC.                               | Middle)  |                            | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2009 |   |   |       |  |     |   |       |               |  | Off   | icer (give title<br>low)  |                                       | r (specify                     |  |
| 9900 A CLAYTON ROAD   |   |  |  |                            | 4. If A   | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                     |   |       |  |     |   |       |               |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)                     |   |                                       |                                |  |
| (Street) ST LOUI  | S Mo  | 0 6  | 53124  |                            |   |   |   |       |  |     |   |       |               | X Fo   | Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |                                       |                                |  |
| (City)  | (St   | ate) (                                     | Zip)   |                            |   |   |   |       |  |     |   |       |               |  |   |   |                                       |                                |  |
|   |   | Tabl                                       | e I - Non                                      | -Deriva                    | ative S   | Secu  | ıritie  | s Acq | uired,   | Dis | posed o   | f, oı | r Bene        | eficia   | lly Ow  | ned   |                                       |                                |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D    |   |  |  | Execut<br>(ay/Year) if any |   |   | A. Deemed<br>xecution Date,<br>any<br>//onth/Day/Year)                          |       |  |     | ties Acquired (A)<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4  |       |               | d Secu<br>Ben<br>Own                               | mount of<br>urities<br>eficially<br>led Following                               | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership                             |                                |  |
|   |   |  |  |                            |   |   |   |       | Code   | v   | Amount  |       | (A) or<br>(D) | Price  | Tran  | orted<br>saction(s)<br>r. 3 and 4)                                |                                       | (Instr. 4)                     |  |
| Common Stock 01/0   |   |  |  | 01/01                      | /2009   |   |   |       | A  |     | 800   |       | A             | \$0  | \$0 18,000  |   | D                                     |                                |  |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |  |                            |   |   |   |       |  |     |   |       |               |  |   |   |                                       |                                |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)         | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security   | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/Day | Date,                      | 4.<br>Transact<br>Code (In                                  |   | on of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |       | Date Expiration  Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) |     | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4)  Amoun<br>or<br>Numbe<br>of |       | ount          | 8. Price o<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) |   | Ownershi<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4   | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                                |  |

**Explanation of Responses:** 

T.B. Martin, Attorney In-Fact 01/05/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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