Powell William Howard Form 4 August 11, 2010

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue.

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Powell William Howard

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC

[GVA]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 08/09/2010

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

Officer (give title below)

Issuer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner _ Other (specify

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Person

WATSONVILLE, CA 95076

585 W. BEACH STREET

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - N	on-	Derivative S	Securit	ies Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			Beneficially Form Owned Dire Following or In Reported (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/15/2010		Code A	v V	Amount 54.333 (1)	(D) A	Price \$ 34.74	(Instr. 3 and 4) 29,668.2234	D	
Common Stock	04/15/2010		A	V	60.755 (1)	A	\$ 31.18	29,728.9784	D	
Common Stock	07/15/2010		A	V	80.828 (1)	A	\$ 23.54	29,809.8064	D	
Common Stock	07/15/2010		A	V	28.1391 (2)	A	\$ 23.58	29,837.9455	D	
Common Stock	08/09/2010		P		200	A	\$ 23.44	30,037.9455	D	

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Common Stock	08/09/2010	P	3,300	A	\$ 23.45	33,337.9455	D
Common Stock	08/09/2010	P	1,500	A	\$ 23.46	34,837.9455 (3)	D

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 (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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Powell William Howard 585 W. BEACH STREET WATSONVILLE, CA 95076	X							

Signatures

Michael Futch, Secretary, for William H.

Powell

08/11/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person 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) Dividends acquired pursuant to the Granite Construction Incorporated Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Dividends on stock units granted pursuant to the Granite Construction Incorporated Amended and Restated Equity Incentive Plan.

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(3) Includes 5,132.1391stock units and dividends on stock units.

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