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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person TUCKER ARTHUR V JR															all applicable) Director		ing Person(s) to Issu  10% Owl		ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2600 CHEMED CENTER 255 EAST 5TH STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2009									Λ	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  vice president & controller					
(Street) CINCINN (City)	ATI OH	te) (Z	5202 (ip)								(Month/Day/	,	Lir	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
1. Title of Se	ecurity (Instr.		e I - NO	2. Transa		2A.	Deem	ned	3.		posed of, 4. Securities	s Acquire	ed (A) or	5.	Amou	nt of			'. Nature	
,				Date (Month/Day/Yea		ear) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		,	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				tr. 3, 4 and	B	Securities Beneficially Owned Following		(D) o	r Indirect E str. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3		tion(s)		1	(Instr. 4)		
capital stoc	ck			08/04	/2009				М		15,000	A	\$21.	78	38,	718	8 D			
capital stoc	ck			08/04	/2009				F <sup>(1)</sup>		9,705	D	\$43.9	91	29,	013	D			
		Та									osed of, c			y Ow	ned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/I		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title Amoun Securit Underly Derivati Securit and 4)	t of ies ring	Deriv	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y [C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A) (D)		Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
stock option(right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	\$43.91	08/04/2009			M			15,000	11/17/	2004	05/17/2014	capital stock	15,000	\$0	0.00	83,000		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Payment of purchase price and tax obligation on stock option exercise.

## Remarks:

Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.

08/04/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

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