

KRETSCHMER CHARLES J
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KRETSCHMER CHARLES J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ESCO TECHNOLOGIES, 8888
 LADUE ROAD**

(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63124

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ESCO TECHNOLOGIES INC [ESE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/10/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/10/2005		M		2,000	A	\$ 10.7813
Common Stock	01/10/2005		M		3,000	A	\$ 11.625
					82,669	D	
					85,669	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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.7813	01/10/2005		M	2,000	<u>(1)</u> 02/09/2009	Common Stock	2,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.625	01/10/2005		M	3,000	<u>(3)</u> 11/11/2009	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KRETSCHMER CHARLES J ESCO TECHNOLOGIES 8888 LADUE ROAD ST. LOUIS, MO 63124	X		President & COO	

Signatures

T. B. Martin,
Attorney-In-Fact

01/11/2005

**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) 4,000 shares on each of 10-01-2000, 10-01-2001 and 10-01-2002.
- (2) Not applicable
- (3) 4,892 shares on each of 11-11-2000, 11-11-2001, and 11-11-2002.

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