

TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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 \*  
**ABELL JOSEPH M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC [TTI]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
25025 INTERSTATE 45  
NORTH, SUITE 600  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/12/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Senior Vice President & CFO**

**THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	08/12/2008		F		26,304	D	\$ 20.35 67,334
Common Stock	08/12/2008		M		56,534	A	\$ 5.5556 123,868
Common Stock							13,542 I by 401(K) Plan

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)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.5556	08/12/2008		M	56,534	Date Exercisable: 08/15/2005 Expiration Date: 08/15/2008	Common Stock 56,534

### Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

ABELL JOSEPH M  
25025 INTERSTATE 45 NORTH  
SUITE 600  
THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

Director   10% Owner   Officer   Other  
  
Senior Vice President & CFO

### Signatures

Eileen M. Price, AIF for Joseph M. Abell

08/14/2008

\*\*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).

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