

HAWK E BLAKE  
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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 \*  
HAWK E BLAKE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP [CCI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1220 AUGUSTA, SUITE 500  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/10/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP & General Counsel

HOUSTON, TX 77057

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 \$0.01 Par Value   | 11/10/2009                           |  | M                              |   | 81,012  | A  | \$ 20.188 587,109                                     |
| Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value   | 11/10/2009                           |  | S                              |   | 81,012  | D  | \$ 34.939 (1) 506,097                                 |
| Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value   | 11/10/2009                           |  | M                              |   | 75,000  | A  | \$ 31.875 581,097                                     |

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|----------------------------------|------------|---|--------|---|------------------|---------|---|--------------------|
| Common Stock<br>\$0.01 Par Value | 11/10/2009 | S | 75,000 | D | \$ 34.944<br>(2) | 506,097 | D |                    |
| Common Stock<br>\$0.01 Par Value | 11/12/2009 | M | 85,227 | A | \$ 28            | 591,324 | D |                    |
| Common Stock<br>\$0.01 Par Value | 11/12/2009 | S | 76,100 | D | \$ 36.5091       | 515,224 | D |                    |
| Common Stock<br>\$0.01 Par Value | 11/12/2009 | S | 9,127  | D | \$ 36.4          | 506,097 | D |                    |
| Common Stock<br>\$0.01 Par Value |            |   |        |   |                  | 365 (3) | I | By 401<br>(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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |        |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|--------|
|   |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                         |        |
| Stock Option (right to purchase Common Stock) | \$ 20.188  | 11/10/2009                           |  | M                              | 81,012  | (4)  | 02/02/2010  | Common Stock                  | 81,012 |
|   | \$ 31.875  | 11/10/2009                           |  | M                              | 75,000  | (5)  | 02/01/2010  |                               | 75,000 |

|  |       |            |  |   |        |     |            |                 |        |
|--|-------|------------|--|---|--------|-----|------------|-----------------|--------|
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>purchase<br>Common<br>Stock) |       |            |  |   |        |     |            | Common<br>Stock |        |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>purchase<br>Common<br>Stock) | \$ 28 | 11/12/2009 |  | M | 85,227 | (6) | 09/20/2010 | Common<br>Stock | 85,227 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |                       |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer               | Other |
| HAWK E BLAKE<br>1220 AUGUSTA<br>SUITE 500<br>HOUSTON, TX 77057 |               |           | EVP & General Counsel |       |

## Signatures

/s/ E. Blake  
Hawk

11/12/2009

\*\*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) Represents the weighted average price of sales transacted on November 10, 2009; such sales were conducted through 48 individual transactions on November 10, 2009, at sales prices ranging from \$34.90 to \$34.99 per share.
- (2) Represents the weighted average price of sales transacted on November 10, 2009; such sales were conducted through 24 individual transactions on November 10, 2009, at sales prices ranging from \$34.90 to \$35.01 per share.
- (3) Represents shares previously acquired in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).
- (4) Vested one-third upon grant, one-third on March 2, 2000 (upon the Company's common stock achieving a pre-established target price), and one-third on March 30, 2000 (upon the Company's common stock achieving a pre-established target price).
- (5) Vested one-third per year over three years, with the first vesting on February 1, 2001.
- (6) Vested one-third per year over three years, with the first vesting on September 20, 2001.

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