

SILVER R PHILIP  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SILVER R PHILIP

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4 LANDMARK SQUARE, SUITE 400

(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06901

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SILGAN HOLDINGS INC [SLGN]

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

05/27/2009

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)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/16/2009		G	6,750 D \$ 0	3,074,014	D	
Common Stock	05/27/2009		A	1,117 A 1.575	1,575,131	D	
Common Stock					1,500,000	I	By GRAT <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					2,000,000	I	By GRAT <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock					1,123,539	I	By Trust <sup>(4)</sup>

Common Stock		53,586	I	By Silver Family Limited Partnership (5)
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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SILVER R PHILIP 4 LANDMARK SQUARE SUITE 400 STAMFORD, CT 06901	X	X		

## Signatures

/s/ Frank W. Hogan, III, Attorney-in-fact for R. Philip Silver 05/29/2009

\*\*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).

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These securities are restricted stock units that were granted on May 27, 2009 pursuant to the Silgan Holdings Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, and become fully vested on May 27, 2010. These restricted stock units will be settled in shares of Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis upon vesting.

- Since the reporting person's last report, these shares, which were previously reported as being directly beneficially owned by the reporting person, were contributed in February 2009 by the reporting person to a grantor retained annuity trust, of which the reporting person is the sole trustee with sole voting and dispositive power over the shares.
- (2) person, were contributed in February 2009 by the reporting person to a grantor retained annuity trust, of which the reporting person is the sole trustee with sole voting and dispositive power over the shares.
  - (3) These shares are owned by grantor retained annuity trusts, of which the reporting person is the sole trustee with sole voting and dispositive power over the shares.
  - (4) The Robert Philip Silver 2002 GRAT Article III Trust For Benefit of Spouse and Descendants, of which the reporting person's spouse is a co-trustee, is the direct beneficial owner of these shares.
  - (5) These shares are owned by Silver Family Limited Partnership. The reporting person is the sole general partner of Silver Family Limited Partnership, with sole voting and dispositive power over the shares.

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