Paxton John W SR Form 4 December 20, 2011

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Paxton John W SR Issuer Symbol FORCE PROTECTION INC [FRPT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 1520 OLD TROLLEY ROAD 12/17/2011 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

SUMMERVILLE, SC 29485

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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	any	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				()		Reported		
						Transaction(s)		
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		Code v		(D)	Price			
12/17/2011		D	14,645	D	\$ 5.50	0	D	
			<u>(1)</u>		3.32			
12/17/2011		U	11,861	D	\$ 5.52	0	D	
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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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	unt of rlying rities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Paxton John W SR 1520 OLD TROLLEY ROAD X SUMMERVILLE, SC 29485

Signatures

/s/ John F. Wall III as attorney in fact for John W. Paxton, Sr.

12/20/2011

**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 time vested restricted stock that vested and was canceled pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger in exchange for a cash payment representing the number of shares multiplied by the per share purchase price of \$5.52.

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