

FRENCH RUSSELL R  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
FRENCH RUSSELL R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4401 NORTHSIDE  
PARKWAY, SUITE 800

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30327-3057

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
POST PROPERTIES INC [PPS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/13/2011

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)
Common Stock	12/13/2011		M <sup>(1)</sup>	3,000 A	\$ 38,781.39 <sup>(2)</sup> 35.51 <sup>(3)</sup>	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)**

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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. 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
Common Stock	\$ 35.51	12/13/2011		M	3,000	12/31/2004 12/31/2011	Common Stock	3,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRENCH RUSSELL R 4401 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY SUITE 800 ATLANTA, GA 30327-3057		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Sherry Cohen, Power of Attorney  
Date: 12/15/2011

\*\*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) Reporting person exercised an option to purchase 3,000 shares in the Company granted on December 31, 2001 with an expiration date of December 31, 2011.
- (2) Balance includes 2,949 shares purchased under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan"), during the purchase periods July 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 and January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011 and 9.91 shares acquired as dividend reinvestments under the Plan, during the period October 16, 2010 to January 14, 2011.
- (3) The balance includes 4,906 restricted shares that have not vested.

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