

GSE SYSTEMS INC  
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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 \*  
**TAWES ORRIE LEE**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**GSE SYSTEMS, INC., 1332  
 LONDONTOWN BLVD.**

(Street)

**SYKESVILLE, MD 21784**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**GSE SYSTEMS INC [GVP]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/17/2012**

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					218,696	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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.45	05/17/2012		A	10,000	<u>(1)</u>	05/17/2019	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.06					<u>(2)</u>	08/18/2018	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.63					<u>(3)</u>	05/21/2017	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6					<u>(4)</u>	04/10/2016	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 9.7					<u>(5)</u>	01/22/2015	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.21					<u>(6)</u>	02/06/2014	Common Stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TAWES ORRIE LEE GSE SYSTEMS, INC. 1332 LONDONTOWN BLVD. SYKESVILLE, MD 21784		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Orrie Lee  
Tawes III

05/21/2012

\*\*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) Exercisable as follows: 4,000 5/17/2013; 3,000 5/17/2014; 3,000 5/17/2015

(2) Exercisable as follows: 4,000 8/18/2012; 3,000 8/18/2013; 3,000 8/18/2014

(3) Exercisable as follows: 4,000 5/21/2011; 3,000 5/21/2012; 3,000 5/21/2013

(4) Exercisable as follows: 4,000 4/10/2010; 3,000 4/10/2011; 3,000 4/10/2012

(5) Exercisable as follows: 4,000 1/22/2009; 3,000 1/22/2010; 3,000 1/22/2011

(6) Exercisable as follows: 3,334 2/6/2008; 3,333 2/6/2009; 3,333 2/6/2010.

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