ROBINSON DAVID C

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** ROBINSON DAVID C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EASTERN CO [EML]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
112 BRIDG	E STREET		(Month/Day/Year) 12/02/2009	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
NAUGATUCK, CT 06770			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(State) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock (1)	05/19/2009		G	5,163	A	<u>(1)</u>	96,198	D	
Common Stock (2)	12/02/2009		F	13,669	D	\$ 13.95	82,529	D	
Common Stock (3)	12/02/2009		M	18,750	A	\$ 10.17	101,279	D	
Common Stock (1)							0	I	Trust u/w Kenneth V. Robinson

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of S
Non-qualified stock options	\$ 10.17	12/02/2009		M		18,750	12/15/1999	01/15/2010	Common Stock	18,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ROBINSON DAVID C							
112 BRIDGE STREET	X						

Signatures

NAUGATUCK, CT 06770

David C. Robinson, by Theresa P. Dews his attorney-in-fact

12/02/2009

**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) In accordance with the Kenneth V. Robinson Trust, on May 19, 2009 the trust was distributed. Mr. David Robinson received 5,163 shares from the trust and is now the direct owner of the shares.
- (2) 13,669 shares of previously acquired Eastern Company stock were surrendered to Eastern Treasury at the closing price on September 29, 2008 of \$13.29 per share, for the purchase of stock options.
- (3) 18,750 shares were exercised on December 2, 2009 at \$10.17 per share. The original 12/15/1999 option was for 12,500 shares at \$15.25 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006 this option is now 18,750 shares at \$10.17 per share.
- (4) The original 12/15/1999 option was for 12,500 shares at \$15.25 per share. As a result of a 3-for-2 stock split effective 10/18/2006 this option is now 18,750 shares at \$10.17 per share. 18,750 shares were exercised on December 2, 2009, leaving a zero balance.

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