

HAWTHORNE MARIA R  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
**HAWTHORNE MARIA R**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PS BUSINESS PARKS INC/CA [PSB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC, 701 WESTERN AVENUE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/15/2010**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT**

**GLENDALE, CA 91201-2397**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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	03/15/2010		F	194 D \$ 52.35 (4)	22,101 (1)	D	
Common Stock					8,343.6852 (2)	I	By 401(k) Plan

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 52.35	03/15/2010		A	40,000	03/15/2011	03/15/2020	Common Stock	40,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HAWTHORNE MARIA R C/O PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC 701 WESTERN AVENUE GLENDALE, CA 91201-2397			SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	

## Signatures

/s/ Stephanie G. Heim, Attorney in Fact  
Date: 03/17/2010

\_\_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) Includes 5,580 restricted stock units.
- (2) 401(k) plan units that represent interests in common stock; based on plan information as of March 8, 2010. There is not a one to one correlation between units and shares.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- (4) Represents weighted average purchase price. These shares were sold at prices ranging between \$50.96 and \$51.24. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided by the reporting person upon request to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.

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