

BERCHTOLD NICHOLAS G
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FORM 4

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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 *
BERCHTOLD NICHOLAS G

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ENERGY FOCUS, INC., 32000
AURORA ROAD
(Street)

SOLON, OH US 44139

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ENERGY FOCUS, INC/DE [EFOI]

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

12/31/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 12/31/2009 | | A | V | 16,576 (A) or (D) Price \$ 0.65 | 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) | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|--------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| Stock Options for Common Stock | \$ 0.75 | 12/31/2009 | | J ⁽²⁾ | 25,000 | ⁽³⁾ | 02/10/2019 | Common Stock | 25,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BERCHTOLD NICHOLAS G ENERGY FOCUS, INC. 32000 AURORA ROAD SOLON, OH US 44139 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

Nicholas G.
Berchtold 01/12/2010

**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) The shares are subject to forfeiture and to a restriction on transfer. Each officer will forfeit his rights in his shares if he ceases to provide service to the Company as an employee, director, or consultant prior to the closing of the first trading window after June 30, 2010, during which he does not possess material inside information about the Company, other than cessation of service as a result of (i) his death or (ii) his total and permanent disability, or (iii) within three months after a change in control of the Company. Should the officer cease to provide service to the Company as a result of any of these three items, this restriction will lapse and his shares will not be forfeited. The terms "service", "total and permanent disability", and "change in control" are defined in the Company's Plan. The term "trading window" means the first twenty calendar days after the second business day following public disclosure of the Company's quarterly or annual financial results. Before the forfeiture provision lapses by its terms, or by the officer's earlier death or total and permanent disability, or by his leaving the service of the company within three months after change in control, the officer is not allowed to transfer any interest in his shares. Any attempt to transfer the shares will be ineffective.

(2) These options were performance-based and would only be exercisable if and only if Energy Focus, Inc. met specific financial performance criteria. These conditions were not met, therefore the stock options are forfeited.

(3) Twenty-five percent were to become exercisable on February 10, 2010, and the remaining 75% were to become exercisable monthly in equal amounts over the following 36 months.

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