

FARWELL DAVID L  
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 \*  
FARWELL DAVID L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ABM INDUSTRIES INC /DE/  
[ABM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
551 FIFTH AVENUE, SUITE 300  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/11/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

NEW YORK, NY 10176

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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                    | 10/11/2012                           |  | A                              |   | 3,291<br>(1)  | A  | \$ 0 24,801 (2) 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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Stock Options (3)                          | \$ 18.31   | 10/11/2012                           |  | A                              | 4,919   | (4) 10/11/2019   | Common Stock  | 4,919   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                       |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer               | Other |
| FARWELL DAVID L<br>551 FIFTH AVENUE<br>SUITE 300<br>NEW YORK, NY 10176 |               |           | Senior Vice President |       |

## Signatures

By: Barbara L. Smithers, by power of attorney 10/12/2012

\_\_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).

- Restricted stock units (RSUs) granted under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, representing a contingent right to receive shares of common stock. Units vest 50% on the second anniversary of the grant date and 50% on the fourth anniversary of the grant date, and will settle in shares of common stock. Dividend equivalent rights (DERs) will accrue.
- (1) Includes 7,154 RSUs and DERs relating to the RSUs, adjusted to reflect the cumulative effect of fractional shares, and 1,703 performance shares earned but not vested with respect to performance shares granted on 1/11/2010 and 1/11/2011, and DERs related thereto.
  - (2) Stock option granted under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.
  - (3) 25% on 10/11/2013, and 25% on the anniversary date of each of the following 3 years.

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