

Puckett L H  
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 \*  
Puckett L H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6775 LENOX CENTER COURT,  
SUITE 400

(Street)

MEMPHIS, TN 38115

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Verso Paper Corp. [VRS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/02/2012

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  
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**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) Price			
Common Stock	05/02/2012		X	181,188 A	\$ 0 197,854	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. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0	05/02/2012		X	23,190	<sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	23,190

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Puckett L H 6775 LENOX CENTER COURT, SUITE 400 MEMPHIS, TN 38115		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Peter H. Kesser,  
attorney-in-fact

05/03/2012

<sup>(1)</sup>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 reporting person owns units representing a limited partner interest in Verso Paper Management LP. Each vested unit in Verso Paper Management LP may be exchanged, subject to certain restrictions, for one share of common stock of Verso Paper Corp. owned by Verso Paper Management LP.

(2) 94,200 of the units exchanged by the reporting person in the transaction reported on this Form 4 became exchangeable on November 1, 2006; 28,974 of the units exchanged by the reporting person in the transaction reported on this Form 4 became exchangeable on November 20, 2006; 57,947 of the units exchanged by the reporting person in the transaction reported on this Form 4 became exchangeable on May 14, 2008; and 67 units exchanged by the reporting person in the transaction reported on this Form 4 were received involuntarily by the reporting person in a pro rata reallocation of forfeited units pursuant to the limited partnership agreement of Verso Paper Management LP.

(3) The right to exchange units does not expire.

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