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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Richards James D.			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC [GVA]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/01/2013	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
585 WEST BEACH STREET (Street)				(Check all applicable)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 	
WATSONVILLE, CA 95076		XOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) Sr. VP						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securit	ies Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Na Owne (Instr	*	
Common St	ock		23,613.218	86	D	Â		
Common Stock			5,758.218		Ι	by E	SOP	
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
			Derivative	Security:	

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Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or	Security	Direct (D)
Exercisable	Date		Number of		or Indirect
			Shares		(I)
					(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Richards James D. 585 WEST BEACH STREET WATSONVILLE, CA 95076	Â	Â	Sr. VP	Â			
Signatures							
Nancy Valek-Corbett, attorney-in Richards	James D.	01/10/2013					
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting	Date						
Explanation of Responses:							

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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