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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Bayer Paul Eugene

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NATIONAL RETAIL

PROPERTIES, INC. [NNN]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/09/2009

450 S. ORANGE AVENUE, SUITE 900

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Executive Officer

Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

below)

ORLANDO, FL 32801

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned (Instr. 8) (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Price Amount (D) Common 21.270 02/09/2009 A D 64,511 (1) Stock 16.34

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | ate | Amount Underly Securiti | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title N | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bayer Paul Eugene 450 S. ORANGE AVENUE SUITE 900 ORLANDO, FL 32801

Executive Officer

Signatures

/s/ Paul E. Bayer 02/11/2009

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 will vest 20% annually beginning in 2010 through 2014. The Reporting Person has voting and dividend rights on all of these shares, including unvested shares.

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