FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Bernard Peter Clark				_ <u> U</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC. [SLCA] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					(Ch	elationship of eck all applications Officer below)	cable) or (give title	g Person	10% Ow Other (sp	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC. 8490 PROGRESS DRIVE, SUITE 300				05	05/01/2012									ŕ		
(Street) FREDERICK MD 21701				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)													
(e.g., pu 1. Title of Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Transaction Date Execution Date, Transaction Date Execution Date Exec					ive Securities Acquists, calls, warrants, ansaction ode (Instr.			3. Transactic Code (Instant) Code V	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 Amount (A) or (D) Amount (A) or (D) Oosed of, or Benefici Convertible securities isable and te ear) 7. Title and Amof Securities Underlying Derivative Secu		Price Price Price Amount ies	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 7 Owned 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		. Nature of Indirect Seneficial Joynership Instr. 4)
	Derivative Security					Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				(Instr. 3 and 4)			Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	(1)	r Indirect) (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- Employee Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$18.12	05/01/2012		A		10,000		(1)	05/01/2022	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	10,000	(2)	10,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The options will vest in twelve (12) equal quarterly installments beginning on August 1, 2012, such that the options will become fully vested and exercisable as of May 1, 2015.
- 2. The options were granted and no price was paid therefor.

/s/ James I. Manion by Power of Attorney

05/03/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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