

CASTAGNA EUGENE A
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FORM 4

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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 *
CASTAGNA EUGENE A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BED BATH & BEYOND INC
[BBBY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/10/2012

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
CFO and Treasurer

C/O BED BATH & BEYOND INC., 650 LIBERTY AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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UNION, NJ 07083

(City) (State) (Zip)

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, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/10/2012 | | F | | 1,327 (1) | D | \$ 68.91 123,043 |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/10/2012 | | A | | 15,963 (2) | A | \$ 0 139,006 |
| | 05/11/2012 | | F | | | D | 136,991 |

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|--|------------|--|---|------------|--------|---------|---|--|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | | | | 2,015 | \$ | | | |
| | | | | <u>(1)</u> | 70.875 | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/12/2012 | | F | 2,115 | \$ | 134,876 | D | |
| | | | | <u>(1)</u> | 70.875 | | | |

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)

| 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) | |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 68.91 | 05/10/2012 | | A | 26,019 | <u>(3)</u> 05/10/2020 | Common Stock | 26,019 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CASTAGNA EUGENE A C/O BED BATH & BEYOND INC. 650 LIBERTY AVENUE UNION, NJ 07083 | | | CFO and Treasurer | |

Signatures

/s/ Ori Solomon -
Attorney-in-Fact

05/14/2012

__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).
- (1) Represents the surrender of shares to the Company to satisfy Mr. Castagna's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of shares of restricted stock previously granted to Mr. Castagna.
- (2) Grant of restricted stock, with vesting subject to (i) the Company's achievement of a performance-based test for the fiscal year of grant, and (ii) time vesting.
- (3) The Employee Stock Option is exercisable in five (5) equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.

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