MCKEY N KEITH

Form 4

December 29, 2010

# FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person MCKEY N KEITH	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EASTGROUP PROPERTIES INC [EGP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 190 EAST CAPITOL STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2010	Director 10% Owner Security Delow)				
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person				
JACKSON, MS 39201		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)		quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. I Security (Month/Day/Year) Executive Executive 2. Transaction Date 2A. I	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect				

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/02/2010		G	V	1,250	D	<u>(1)</u>	115,903	D		
Common Stock	12/15/2010		G	V	360	D	(1)	115,543	D		
Common Stock	12/27/2010		F		1,408	D	\$ 42.59 (2)	114,135 (3)	D		
Common Stock								7,310 (4)	I	By IRA	

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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				Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCKEY N KEITH 190 EAST CAPITOL STREET JACKSON, MS 39201

Executive Vice President & CFO

## **Signatures**

Michael C. Donlon, Attorney-in-Fact for N. Keith McKey

12/29/2010

\*\*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) Bona fide gift of securities.
- On December 27, 2010, 7,753 restricted shares vested and the Reporting Person instructed the Company to withhold 1,408 shares to **(2)** cover tax withholding obligations as permitted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.
- As of the date hereof, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes 17,629 restricted shares granted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, that have not yet vested.
- (4) Includes an additional 202 shares acquired under the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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