FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* JOHNSEN WALTER C | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACME UNITED CORP [ACU] | | | | | | | | | Relationship eck all appl X Direct | icable) | | erson(s) to I | | |
|---|--|--|---|----------|---|--|--------|-------------------|---|-------|---|---|-----------------|-----------------------|---|--|-----------------------|---|---|--|
| (Last) | (F | irst) (| (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2011 | | | | | | | | | X Office below | r (give title | | Other (below) | specify | |
| C/O ACME UNITED CORP | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | CEO and Chairman of the Board | | | | | |
| 60 ROUND HILL ROAD | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X Form | filed by One | Rep | orting Pers | on | |
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| (City) | (S | tate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - N | on-Deriv | ative S | Sec | uriti | es Ac | quired, I | Disp | osed o | of, or B | ene | ficial | ly Owne | d | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | 3. Transac Code (Ir | | 4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5) | | | | r 5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned Follow | ies cially | Fori (D) (Indi | wnership m: Direct or rect (I) tr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | Amoun | Amount (A) or (D) | | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (| | | | | |
| Common Stock 03/04/20 | | | | | | 2011 | | | M | | 10,0 | 000 A | | \$4 | 40 | 401,972 | | D | | |
| | 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. Dee Execution if any (Month/ | on Date, | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | n of E | | 5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | r. 3 | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | у | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisabl | | piration te | Title | or Nui of | nount mber ares | | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option | \$4 | 03/04/2011 | | | M | | | 10,000 | 06/23/2006 | 06. | /23/2013 | Common | 10 | ,000, | \$4 | 197,000 |) | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Walter C. Johnsen 03/08/2011

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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