

THOMSON ROGER F  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
THOMSON ROGER F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
6820 LBJ FREEWAY  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/10/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, CAO, General Counsel

DALLAS, TX 75240

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

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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 26,250 A \$ 25.78   | 108,421  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 27,001 A \$ 25.647  | 135,422  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 25,000 A \$ 28.3  | 160,422  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 4,619 A \$ 21.667   | 165,041  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 69,750 A \$ 22.593  | 234,791  | D   |

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Common Stock      08/10/2012      S      147,795      D      \$ 33.541      86,996      D  
(1)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy         | \$ 21.6667   | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              | 4,619   | 11/13/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 11/13/2013                     | Common Stock  |
| Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy         | \$ 22.5933   | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              | 69,750  | 11/04/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 11/04/2014                     | Common Stock  |
| Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy         | \$ 25.78   | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              | 26,250  | 10/20/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/20/2013                     | Common Stock  |
| Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy         | \$ 25.6467   | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              | 27,001  | 08/31/2007 <sup>(2)</sup> 08/31/2014                     | Common Stock  |
| Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy         | \$ 28.3  | 08/10/2012                           |  | M                              | 25,000  | 08/30/2008 <sup>(2)</sup> 08/30/2015                     | Common Stock  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address      | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|                                     | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| THOMSON ROGER F<br>6820 LBJ FREEWAY |               |           | EVP, CAO, General Counsel |       |

DALLAS, TX 75240

## Signatures

Bryan D. McCrory, Attorney-in-Fact for Roger F.  
Thomson

08/14/2012

\_\_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).

- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$33.360 to \$34.430, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Brinker International, any security holder of Brinker International or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.
- (1) Options vest in installments on or after the date shown.

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