

PAULSON GLENN A  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
PAULSON GLENN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SILGAN WHITE CAP AMERICAS LLC, 1140 31ST STREET

(Street)

DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SILGAN HOLDINGS INC [SLGN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/14/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/14/2008		M		5,000	A	\$ 7.045
Common Stock	11/14/2008		S		2,468	D	\$ 43.4556
Common Stock					400	I (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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Nonqualified options to purchase common stock	\$ 7.045	11/14/2008		M	5,000	(2) 02/03/2010	Common Stock 5,000

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAULSON GLENN A  
C/O SILGAN WHITE CAP AMERICAS LLC  
1140 31ST STREET  
DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515

Executive Vice President

## Signatures

/s/ Frank W. Hogan, III, Attorney-in-fact for Glenn A. Paulson

11/17/2008

\_\_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) The direct beneficial owner of these shares is the Paulson Education Trust, of which the reporting person and his spouse are the co-trustees.
  - (2) These options were granted on February 4, 2000 and vested ratably over a 5 year period beginning February 4, 2001. All of these options were exercisable prior to the transactions reported on this Form 4.
  - (3) This amount consists of 25,000 options granted on February 4, 2000 (all of which are currently exercisable).

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