

AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/  
 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 \*  
**HESS WILLIAM H**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/ [AMT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE

09/16/2011

EVP, Int'l. Operations

(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  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON, MA 02116

(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 or Price		
Class A Common Stock	09/16/2011		M		4,533 A \$ 37.52	19,791	D
Class A Common Stock	09/16/2011		M		10,937 A \$ 37.7	30,728	D
Class A Common Stock	09/16/2011		S <sup>(1)</sup>		15,470 D \$ 55	15,258	D
Class A Common	09/19/2011		M		81,634 A \$ 37.52	96,892	D

Stock								
Class A Common Stock	09/19/2011		M	21,875	A	\$ 37.7	118,767	D
Class A Common Stock	09/19/2011		S <sup>(1)</sup>	103,509	D	\$ 55	15,258	D
Class A Common Stock							3,662	I By GRAT

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$ 37.52	09/16/2011		M	4,533	<sup>(2)</sup> 03/15/2017	Class A Common Stock	4,533
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$ 37.7	09/16/2011		M	10,937	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/17/2018	Class A Common Stock	10,937
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$ 37.52	09/19/2011		M	81,634	<sup>(2)</sup> 03/15/2017	Class A Common Stock	81,634
	\$ 37.7	09/19/2011		M	21,875	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/17/2018		21,875

Option to  
Purchase  
Class A  
Common  
Stock

Class A  
Common  
Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HESS WILLIAM H 116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02116			EVP, Int'l. Operations	

## Signatures

/s/ Mneesha O. Nahata, as attorney-in-fact	09/20/2011
**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 sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
  - (2) This option was granted pursuant to the 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning March 15, 2008.
  - (3) This option was granted pursuant to the 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning March 17, 2009.

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