#### **COSTAR GROUP INC**

Form 4

October 29, 2009

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* FLORANCE ANDREW C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

COSTAR GROUP INC [CSGP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President and CEO

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

10/27/2009

\_X\_\_ Director X\_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O COSTAR GROUP, INC., 2 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, 10TH FLOOR

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Street) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BETHESDA, MD 20814-5388

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	able I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Socurity	(Month/Doy/Vear)	Execution Data it	f Transaction	or Disposed of (D)	Committee	Ownarchin	Indiract

Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	omr Dispos	ed of (	(D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
							Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
					( )		Reported	(I)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common									
Stock, par						\$			
value	10/27/2009		M	12.940	Α	Ψ	232.861 (1)	D	

value \$0.01 per	10/27/2009	M	12,940	A	\$ 24.875	232,861 (1)	D
share							

Common Stock, par

1.

value 10/27/2009 S 12,940 D 219,921 (3) D \$0.01 per

share

\$ 18.06 241,921 (4) 10/27/2009 M 22,000 D

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Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/27/2009	S	22,000	D	\$ 40.56 (5)	219,921 (6)	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/28/2009	S	8,000	D	\$ 39.76 (7)	211,921 (8)	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/29/2009	S	3,600	D	\$ 39.34 (9)	208,321 (10)	D

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of actionDerivative Securities 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Acquire Common Stock	\$ 24.875	10/27/2009		M		12,940	(11)	06/20/2010	Common Stock	12,940
Option to Acquire Common	\$ 18.06	10/27/2009		M		22,000	(12)	04/16/2011	Common Stock	22,000

Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FLORANCE ANDREW C C/O COSTAR GROUP, INC. 2 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, 10TH FLOOR BETHESDA, MD 20814-5388

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President and CEO

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jonathan Coleman, Attorney-in-Fact

10/29/2009

\*\*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) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 148,936 shares of Common Stock and 83,925 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (2) Average based on sale prices ranging from \$40.90 to \$41.30.
- (3) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 135,996 shares of Common Stock and 83,925 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (4) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 157,996 shares of Common Stock and 83,925 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (5) Average based on sale prices ranging from \$40.49 to \$40.70.
- (6) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 135,996 shares of Common Stock and 83,925 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (7) Average based on sale prices ranging from \$39.53 to \$40.12.
- (8) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 127,996 shares of Common Stock and 83,925 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (9) Average based on sale prices ranging from \$39.30 to \$39.38.
- (10) Represents all shares of Common Stock owned, consisting of 124,396 shares of Common Stock and 83,925 shares of Common Stock subject to unvested Restricted Stock Grants.
- (11) The option vested in four equal installments on June 21, 2001, June 21, 2002, June 21, 2003 and June 21, 2004.
- (12) The option vested in four equal installments on April 17, 2002, April 17, 2003, April 17, 2004 and April 17, 2005.

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