

SILGAN HOLDINGS INC  
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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 \*  
**LEWIS ROBERT B**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4 LANDMARK SQUARE, SUITE 400

(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06901

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**SILGAN HOLDINGS INC [SLGN]**

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

08/20/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/20/2008		M	32,000 A \$ 23.475	83,165	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2008		S	32,000 D \$ 52.2449	51,165 <sup>(1)</sup>	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. 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	\$ 23.475	08/20/2008		M	32,000	(2) 08/16/2011	Common Stock 32,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEWIS ROBERT B 4 LANDMARK SQUARE SUITE 400 STAMFORD, CT 06901			Executive VP and CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ Frank W. Hogan, III, Attorney-in-fact for Robert B. Lewis 08/22/2008

\_\_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) This amount includes 10,000 restricted stock units that have not yet vested that have been granted under the Silgan Holdings Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended. Upon vesting, these restricted stock units will be settled in shares of Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (2) These options were granted on August 16, 2004 and vest ratably over a five year period beginning on August 16, 2005. 32,000 of these options were exercisable prior to the transactions reported on this Form 4.
- (3) This amount consists of 8,000 options granted on August 16, 2004 (none of which are currently exercisable).

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