SILGAN HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BEAM JAMES D**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SILGAN HOLDINGS INC [SLGN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Executive Vice President

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

02/20/2008

(Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O SILGAN CONTAINERS CORPORATION, 21800 OXNARD STREET, SUITE 600

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Street)

(State)

WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(========
Common Stock	02/20/2008		M	20,000	A	\$ 7.045	220,546	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2008		S	20,000	D	\$ 48	200,546	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Nonqualified options to purchase Common	\$ 7.045	02/20/2008		M	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/03/2010	Common Stock	20,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BEAM JAMES D C/O SILGAN CONTAINERS CORPORATION 21800 OXNARD STREET, SUITE 600 WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Frank W. Hogan, III, Attorney-in-fact for James D.
Beam
02/22/2008

**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) 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.
- (2) This number includes 60,000 options granted on February 4, 2000 (all of which are currently exercisable) and 34,000 options granted on November 7, 2003 (all of which are currently exercisable).

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