FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BURTON EDWIN T III | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SL GREEN REALTY CORP [SLG] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | |
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| BURIC | JN EDW | <u>IIN 1 III</u> | | - | | | | | | | | | X Directo | r | | 10% Ow | ner | |
| (Last) | ` | irst) ALTY CORP. | (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2008 | | | | | | | Officer below) | (give title | | Other (specify below) | | | |
| 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE | | | | 4 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YO | ORK N | Y | 10170 | | | | | | | Lin | X Form fi | Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Da | | | e onth/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea | | , Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. | | rities Acquired (A) o d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a | | Beneficia Owned F | s Formully (D) (ollowing (I) (I | Form: (D) or | m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | r Price | Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a | tion(s) | | 10 | Instr. 4) | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Derivative Conversion Date Execution D Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year | Code (Instr. | | Derivative | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | Code | ode V (A) | | (D) | | | xpiration ate | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transacti (Instr. 4) | on(s) | | | |
| Phantom Stock Units | (1) | 10/01/2008 | | A | | 624.042 | | (2) | | (2) | Common Stock | 624.042 | \$0 | 8,673.2 | 235 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. 1 for 1.

Edwin T. Burton, by Andrew S. Levine, his attorney-in-fact

10/03/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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^{2.} The phantom stock units become payable in common stock (or in certain cases in cash) upon (unless the reporting person elects otherwise in accordance with the documents governing the applicable program) the earlier of (i) the January 1 coincident with or next following the earlier of (A) the reporting person's ceasing to be a director, and (B) the reporting person's death, and (ii) a change of control of the Company (as determined under such governing documents). In addition, the reporting person may be permitted to elect to receive distributions (i) for certain unforeseeable emergencies and (ii) in the form of installment payments.