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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BURTON EDWIN T III</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O SL GREEN REALTY CORP.</u> <u>420 LEXINGTON AVENUE</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10170</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SL GREEN REALTY CORP [SLG]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/12/2009</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

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	(A) or (D)	Price			

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$24.86	01/12/2009		A		6,000		(1)	01/12/2019	Common Stock	6,000	\$0	6,000	D	
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	01/12/2009		A		6,387.772 ⁽³⁾		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	6,387.772	\$0	15,219.057	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- This option grant vests immediately.
- 1 for 1.
- This is a restricted unit grant.
- 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.

Edwin T. Burton, by Andrew S. Levine, his attorney-in-fact 01/14/2009

** 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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