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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 *
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DELTA APPAREL, INC [DLA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2750 PREMIERE
 PARKWAY, SUITE 100
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/01/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President, MJ Soffe, LLC

DULUTH, GA 30097
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value | 09/01/2011 | | M | | 8,800 | A | \$ 0.01 |
| | | | | | 94,528 | 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)

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| 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) | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| Incentive Stock Award - Right to Buy ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0.01 | 09/01/2011 | | A | 8,800 | 09/01/2011 | 09/02/2011 | Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value | 8,800 |
| Incentive Stock Award - Right to Buy ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0.01 | 09/01/2011 | | M | 8,800 | 09/01/2011 | 09/02/2011 | Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value | 8,800 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Spires Kenneth D 2750 PREMIERE PARKWAY SUITE 100 DULUTH, GA 30097 | | | President, MJ Soffe, LLC | |

Signatures

/s/Derborah H.
Merrill, POA

09/06/2011

**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 option was contingent upon the Company achieving objective performance criteria, not solely related to the market price of the Company's stock, and vested on the date of the Company's filing of its Form 10-K for the fiscal year ending July 2, 2011.

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