

SILGAN HOLDINGS INC  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
**GERVAIS RUSSELL F**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O SILGAN PLASTICS CORPORATION, 14515 N. OUTER FORTY, SUITE 210**

(Street)

**CHESTERFIELD, MO 63017**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SILGAN HOLDINGS INC [SLGN]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/13/2008**

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 Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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	05/13/2008		M			8,801	A	\$ 7.045	12,801	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S			8,801	D	\$ 55.0017	4,000	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		M			7,999	A	\$ 7.045	11,999	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S			7,999	D	\$ 55.0244	4,000	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		M			12,000	D	\$ 16.54	16,000	D	



## Signatures

/s/ Frank W. Hogan, III. Attorney-in-fact for Russell F.  
Gervais

05/15/2008

\_\_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 five year period beginning February 4, 2001. All of these options were exercisable prior to the transactions reported on this Form 4.
  - (2) These options were granted on November 7, 2003 and vested ratably over a four year period beginning November 7, 2004. All of these options were exercisable prior to the transactions reported on this Form 4.

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