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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Murry David D.

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/29/2012

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC. [SLCA]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC., Â 8490 PROGRESS DRIVE, SUITE 300

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director

_X__ Officer

(give title below) (specify below)

VP of Talent Management

10% Owner Other

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

FREDERICK. MDÂ 21701

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

Exercisable

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

4. Conversion or Exercise

Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4) Expiration

Date

Title

Amount or Number of Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D)

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	12/08/2021	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	25,409	\$ 18	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	12/08/2021	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	25,884	\$ 25	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Murry David D. C/O U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC. 8490 PROGRESS DRIVE, SUITE 300 FREDERICK Â MDÂ 21701	Â	Â	VP of Talent Management	Â	

Signatures

/s/ James I. Manion by Power of Attorney 03/09/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Date

(1) The options were granted on December 8, 2011 (the "Grant Date") and vest annually on the anniversary of the Grant Date: 25% on the first anniversary, 50% on the second anniversary, 75% on the third anniversary and 100% on the fourth anniversary.

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Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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