

Benedetti Alessandro
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â Benedetti Alessandro

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

05/20/2010

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC. [EQS]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer ☐ Other
(give title below) (specify below)

C/O EQUUS TOTAL RETURN,
INC.,Â 8 GREENWAY PLAZA,
SUITE 930

(Street)

HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77046

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

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

Common Stock

822,031

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See Footnote 1 ⁽¹⁾

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)

3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:

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

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Benedetti Alessandro C/O EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC. 8 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 930 HOUSTON, TX 77046	X			

Signatures

/s/ Fraser Atkinson, Attorney-In Fact	05/28/2010
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__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

(1) Represents 822,031 shares held directly by Mobiquity Investments Limited ("Mobiquity"). Mobiquity, a Washington investment holding company, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Versatile Systems, Inc., a Canadian corporation ("Versatile"). The Reporting Person is a director and minority stockholder of Versatile. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership in the shares except to the extent, if any, of his pecuniary interest therein.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List

^ ^ Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney

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