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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1934

The Greenbrier Companies, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, without par value

(Title and Class of Securities)

393657101

(CUSIP Number)

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P. (1)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) ..

(b) ..

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

OO

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) ..

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

3,263,460 (1)

EACH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,263,460 (1)

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

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3,263,460 (1)

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES ..

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

16.0%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

PN

- (1) Warrants to purchase 3,263,460 shares of common stock (the Fund IV Warrants) are held directly by WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P. (Fund IV). Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. (Mr. Ross) is the managing member of El Vedado, LLC, the general partner of WL Ross Group, L.P., which in turn is the managing member of WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC. WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC is the general partner of Fund IV. Accordingly, WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, WL Ross Group, L.P., El Vedado, LLC and Mr. Ross may be deemed to share dispositive power over the Fund IV Warrants and voting and dispositive power over any shares issuable upon exercise of the Fund IV Warrants.

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WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P. (1)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

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3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

13,106 (1)

EACH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

13,106 (1)

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

13,106 (1)

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES ..

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

0.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

PN

- (1) Warrants to purchase 13,106 shares of common stock (the Parallel Fund Warrants) are held directly by WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P. (Parallel Fund). Invesco Private Capital, Inc. is the managing member of Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC, which is in turn the general partner of Parallel Fund. Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC and WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC have entered into a parallel investment agreement whereby Parallel Fund will invest on a pro rata basis in parallel investments with Fund IV. Accordingly, Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC, Invesco Private Capital, Inc., WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, WL Ross Group, L.P., El Vedado, LLC and Mr. Ross may be deemed to share dispositive power over the Parallel Fund Warrants and voting and dispositive power over any shares issuable upon exercise of the Parallel Fund Warrants.

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WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC (1) (2)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

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3 SEC USE ONLY

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

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SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

3,276,566 (1) (2)

EACH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,276,566 (1) (2)

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,276,566 (1) (2)

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES ..

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

16.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IA

- (1) The Fund IV Warrants are held directly by Fund IV. Mr. Ross is the managing member of El Vedado, LLC, the general partner of WL Ross Group, L.P., which in turn is the managing member of WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC. WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC is the general partner of Fund IV. Accordingly, WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, WL Ross Group, L.P., El Vedado, LLC and Mr. Ross may be deemed to share dispositive power over the Fund IV Warrants and voting and dispositive power over any shares issuable upon exercise of such Fund IV Warrants.
- (2) The Parallel Fund Warrants are held directly by Parallel Fund. Invesco Private Capital, Inc. is the managing member of Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC, which is in turn the general partner of Parallel Fund. Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC and WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC have entered into a parallel investment agreement whereby Parallel Fund will invest on a pro rata basis in parallel investments with Fund IV. Accordingly, Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC, Invesco Private Capital, Inc., WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, WL Ross Group, L.P., El Vedado, LLC and Mr. Ross may be deemed to share dispositive power over the Parallel Fund Warrants and voting and dispositive power over any shares issuable upon exercise of the Parallel Fund Warrants.

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Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC (1)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

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SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

13,106 (1)

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9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

13,106 (1)

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

13,106 (1)

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES ..

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

0.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IA

- (1) The Parallel Fund Warrants are held directly by Parallel Fund. Invesco Private Capital, Inc. is the managing member of Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC, which is in turn the general partner of Parallel Fund. Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC and WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC have entered into a parallel investment agreement whereby Parallel Fund will invest on a pro rata basis in parallel investments with Fund IV. Accordingly, Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC, Invesco Private Capital, Inc., WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, WL Ross Group, L.P., El Vedado, LLC and Mr. Ross may be deemed to share dispositive power over the Parallel Fund Warrants and voting and dispositive power over any shares issuable upon exercise of the Parallel Fund Warrants.

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Invesco Private Capital, Inc. (1)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

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3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

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SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

13,106 (1)

EACH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

13,106 (1)

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

13,106 (1)

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13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

0.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IA

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WL Ross Group, L.P. (1) (2)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

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3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New York

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

3,276,566 (1) (2)

EACH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,276,566 (1) (2)

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,276,566 (1) (2)

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13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

16.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IA

- (1) The Fund IV Warrants are held directly by Fund IV. Mr. Ross is the managing member of El Vedado, LLC, the general partner of WL Ross Group, L.P., which in turn is the managing member of WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC. WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC is the general partner of Fund IV. Accordingly, WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, WL Ross Group, L.P., El Vedado, LLC and Mr. Ross may be deemed to share dispositive power over the Fund IV Warrants and voting and dispositive power over any shares issuable upon exercise of the Fund IV Warrants.
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El Vedado, LLC (1) (2)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New York

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

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SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

3,276,566 (1) (2)

EACH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,276,566 (1) (2)

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,276,566 (1) (2)

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16.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IA

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Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. (1) (2)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

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4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States of America

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

3,276,566 (1) (2)

EACH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

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10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,276,566 (1) (2)

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3,276,566 (1) (2)

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16.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IN

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Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This Schedule 13D (this Statement) relates to the common stock, without par value (the Common Stock), of The Greenbrier Companies, Inc. (the Company). The Common Stock to which this statement relates is issuable upon the exercise of certain warrants to purchase Common Stock (the Warrants) owned by WLR Recovery Fund IV LP and WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P. (collectively, the WLR Funds).

The Company's principal executive offices are located at One Centerpointe Drive, Suite 200, Lake Oswego, OR 97035.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

The names of the persons filing this Statement (collectively, the Reporting Persons) are:

WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P. (Fund IV)

WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P. (Parallel Fund)

WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, the general partner of Fund IV

Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC, the general partner of Parallel Fund

WL Ross Group, L.P. (WLR Group), the managing member of the general partner of Fund IV

Invesco Private Capital, Inc., the managing member of the general partner of Parallel Fund

El Vedado, LLC, the general partner of WLR Group

Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., the managing member of the general partner of WLR Group

The principal business office for each of the Reporting Persons other than Mr. Ross and El Vedado, LLC is c/o WL Ross Group, L.P., 1166 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036. The principal business office for Mr. Ross and El Vedado, LLC is 319 Clematis Street, Room 1000 (10th Floor), West Palm Beach, Florida 33401. The principal occupation of each of the Reporting Persons is investments.

None of the Reporting Persons, has, during the last five years, (i) been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (ii) been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Mr. Ross is a citizen of the United States of America. WL Ross Group, L.P. and El Vedado, LLC are organized under the laws of the State of New York. Each of the other Reporting Persons that is an entity is organized under the laws of the State of Delaware.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

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On June 10, 2009, the WLR Funds made a \$75 million term loan (the "Loan") to the Company. The Company issued Warrants to purchase 3,377,903 shares of Common Stock at \$6.00 per share, subject to adjustment, on June 10, 2009 for no additional consideration. The Warrants are unexercised as of the date on which this Statement was initially filed. If exercised, the Reporting Persons presently intend to use capital on hand or available to them from capital commitments from their partners to exercise the Warrants. The WLR Funds may also surrender indebtedness under the Credit Agreement under which the Loan was made (the "Loan Agreement") to exercise the Warrants or exercise the Warrants (in whole or in part) on a net-settled cashless exercise basis.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Depending upon market conditions and other factors, including compliance with applicable legal requirements, the WLR Funds presently intend to spend up to \$1.5 million to acquire additional shares of Common Stock from time to time in open-market or privately negotiated transactions. Shares so purchased, and shares acquired upon exercise of the Warrant, will be held for investment purposes.

Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. and Wendy Teramoto, an executive employed by WL Ross & Co. LLC (WLR & Co.), joined the Company's Board of Directors (the Company Board) on June 11, 2009. The Company, WLR & Co. and the WLR Funds have agreed to jointly pursue possible additional investment or acquisition transactions, but have no obligations to pursue or fund any particular investment or other transaction. See Item 6 for additional information with respect to these arrangements. Such transactions could involve additional debt or equity investments by the Reporting Persons in the Company or affiliated entities.

The Reporting Persons intend to continually review their investment in the Company. Depending upon the results of such review and other factors that the Reporting Persons deem relevant to an investment in the Company (but subject to the limitations described in Item 6 of this Statement), the Reporting Persons may take or propose to take, alone or in conjunction with others including the Company, other actions intended to increase or decrease the Reporting Persons' investment in the Company or the value of their investment in the Company, which could include one or more of the transactions or actions referred to in paragraphs (a) through (j) of the instructions to Item 4 of Schedule 13D.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, the Reporting Persons specifically reserve the right to change their intentions with respect to any or all of the matters referred to in this Statement, subject to the limitations in the Investor Rights Agreement (as defined below).

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

As of the date on which this Statement was initially filed, the Reporting Persons beneficially own a total of 3,276,566 shares of Common Stock, which in the aggregate represent 16.1% of the Company's outstanding Common Stock as of June 10, 2009. Fund IV holds Warrants to purchase 3,263,460 shares of Common Stock (16.0% of the outstanding Common Stock if exercised) and Parallel Fund owns Warrants to purchase 13,016 shares of Common Stock (0.1% of the outstanding Common Stock if exercised), the WLR Funds having transferred the rights to purchase 101,337 shares of Common Stock to a third party on June 10, 2009. The number of shares of Common Stock as to which each of the Reporting Persons has or shares voting or dispositive authority is set forth in Items 8 and 10 of each of the inside cover pages to this Statement relating to each such Reporting Person (which are incorporated into this Item 5 by reference).

Except for Fund IV with respect to the Fund IV Warrants and Parallel Fund with respect to the Parallel Fund Warrants, each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities referred to in this Statement, and the filing of this Statement will not be construed as an admission that any of the Reporting Persons is, for the purpose of Schedule 13D or 13G of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the beneficial owner of any securities covered by this Statement.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

The Warrants were issued pursuant to the Warrant Agreement, a copy of which is included as Exhibit 3 to this Statement. In connection with the issuance of the Warrants, the Company, the WLR Funds and WLR & Co. entered into an Investor Rights and Restrictions Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 4 hereto (the Investor Rights Agreement). The Loan Agreement is filed as Exhibit 5 hereto. Exhibits 3, 4 and 5 are incorporated herein by this reference.

The Warrants expire on June 10, 2014. The exercise price under the Warrants is \$6.00 per share of Common Stock, subject to adjustment. The Warrants may be exercised for cash, the surrender of indebtedness under the Loan Agreement or on a net-settled, cashless basis.

The Investor Rights Agreement provides, among other things, that:

the Company will appoint two designees of the WLR Funds to the Company Board (one as a Class I Director and one as a Class II Director) to serve until the end of their applicable terms and has also agreed to nominate one designee of the WLR Funds to the Company Board at any meeting of the Company Board at which the Company nominates any Class I Directors until June 10, 2014 or, if earlier, the date on which (1) the WLR Funds and certain of their affiliates no longer own 5% of the outstanding Common Stock, (2) certain change of control transactions occur with respect to the Company, (3) the WLR Funds irrevocably waive their rights to nominate a designee, or (4) the WLR Funds breach the terms of the Investor Rights Agreement in certain respects (without curing such breach, if curable);

the WLR Funds agreed not to engage in certain hedging transactions with respect to Warrants or the underlying shares of Common Stock;

the Warrants and the shares of Common Stock received upon exercise of the Warrants may, subject to agreed upon exceptions, only be transferred to limited partners, pursuant to a registration statement, pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in transfers that are otherwise exempt from registration under the Securities Act. In addition, such securities may not be transferred (1) to a transferee that, to the holder's knowledge, would have beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the Common Stock then outstanding after such transfer, (2) to a transferee that is known by the holder to be a competitor of the Company, or (3) if the transferred securities represent 5% or more of the Common Stock then outstanding and such transfer is made in a block trade or to a single purchaser;

the WLR Funds and certain of their affiliates are subject to limitations on acquiring additional shares of Common Stock such that their aggregate beneficial ownership of Common Stock generally does not exceed 19.9% (assuming the exercise of the Warrants) and agreed not to engage in certain transactions without the approval of the Company Board;

the WLR Funds and certain of their affiliates have agreed to vote a portion of their shares of Common Stock in the same proportion as the Company's other stockholders in connection with any election or removal of the Company's directors (and their remaining shares of Common Stock may be voted in their discretion);

the Company may not issue Common Stock (or securities convertible into Common Stock) for a per share consideration of less than \$6.00 until December 10, 2010, subject to earlier termination upon certain events, unless approved in writing by the holders of the Warrants holding a majority in interest of the underlying Common Stock into which the Warrants are exercisable, which approval may not be unreasonably withheld, and subject to agreed upon exceptions, including for issuances pursuant to Company Board-approved employee benefit arrangements and accretive acquisitions;

the WLR Funds and certain of their affiliates are entitled to participate on a pro rata basis, to the extent permitted by applicable law and stock exchange requirements, in offerings of Common Stock for less than \$6.00 per share until December 10, 2010, subject to earlier termination upon certain events; and

the WLR Funds and certain other holders of the Warrants are entitled to participate on an as-exercised basis in any rights offering of Common Stock at a per share price of less than \$6.00 until June 10, 2014, subject to earlier termination upon certain events. In connection with the issuance of the Warrants, the Company amended its stockholder rights plan to provide that the WLR Funds and certain of their affiliates generally will not be deemed to be an acquiring person as a result of their ownership of the Warrants or their beneficial ownership of up to 19.9% of the Common Stock (assuming the issuance of the Common Stock upon full exercise of the Warrants) for purposes of the stockholder rights plan.

The Loan Agreement provides for a three-year, non-amortizing term loan bearing interest at LIBOR plus 350 basis points. The Loan is secured by certain assets of subsidiaries of the Company which comprise a borrowing base. The loan is required to be prepaid in certain events, including to the extent that the loan exceeds the borrowing base (unless additional borrowing base collateral is provided), and accordingly the Loan Agreement does not include financial covenants. The Loan Agreement contains customary representations, warranties, events of default, indemnity and other provisions.

Item 7. Material to be Filed As Exhibits.

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| Exhibit 1 | Agreement as to Joint Filing of Schedule 13D |
| Exhibit 2 | Power of Attorney |
| Exhibit 3 | Warrant Agreement, dated as of June 10, 2009, among The Greenbrier Companies, Inc., WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P., WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P. and the other holders from time to time party thereto. Previously filed on Exhibit 4.2 to The Greenbrier Companies, Inc. s Form 8-K filed on June 12, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference. |
| Exhibit 4 | Investor Rights and Restrictions Agreement, dated as of June 10, 2009, among The Greenbrier Companies, Inc., WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P., WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P., WL Ross & Co. LLC and the other holders from time to time party thereto. Previously filed on Exhibit 4.3 to The Greenbrier Companies, Inc. s Form 8-K filed on June 12, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference. |
| Exhibit 5 | Credit Agreement, dated as of June 10, 2009, among The Greenbrier Companies, Inc., as Borrower, WL Ross & Co. LLC, as Administrative Agent, WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P., WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P. and the other holders from time to time party thereto. Previously filed on Exhibit 10.1 to The Greenbrier Companies, Inc. s Form 8-K filed on June 12, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference. |

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: June 22, 2009

WLR RECOVERY FUND IV, L.P.

By: WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, its General Partner

By: WL Ross Group, L.P., its Managing Member

By: El Vedado, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.,
its Managing Member

WLR IV PARALLEL ESC, L.P.

By: Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC
its General Partner

By: Invesco Private Capital, Inc.,
its Managing Member

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.,
its Chief Executive Officer

WLR RECOVERY ASSOCIATES IV LLC

By: WL Ross Group, L.P., its Managing Member

By: El Vedado, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.,
its Managing Member

INVESCO WLR IV ASSOCIATES LLC

By: Invesco Private Capital, Inc.,
its Managing Member

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.,
its Chief Executive Officer

INVESCO PRIVATE CAPITAL, INC.

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
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WL ROSS GROUP, L.P.

By: El Vedado, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
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EL VEDADO, LLC

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.,
its Managing Member

/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.