

Pierce Frank R.
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FORM 4

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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 *
Pierce Frank R.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
American Electric Technologies Inc [AETI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6410 LONG DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/28/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President, CFO

HOUSTON, TX 77087

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

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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)
Common Stock	02/28/2011		M			127	A	(1)	127	D
Common Stock	02/28/2011		M			126	A	(4)	253	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)

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	
Restricted Stock Units Dated February 28, 2011	(2)	02/28/2011		A	6,000	(2) (2)	Common Stock	6,000
Restricted Stock Units Dated February 28, 2011	(3)	02/28/2011		A	1,500	(3) (3)	Common Stock	1,500
Restricted Stock Units Dated September 15, 2010	(4)	02/28/2011		D	126	(4) (4)	Common Stock	126
Restricted Stock Units Dated September 15, 2010	(1)	02/28/2011		D	1,643	(1) (1)	Common Stock	1,643

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pierce Frank R. 6410 LONG DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77087			Senior Vice President, CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Charles M Dauber, as attorney-in-fact for Frank R.
Pierce

03/04/2011

__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) 506 restricted stock units granted in 2010 vested on the transaction date based on achievement of 2010 performance criteria and 1516 restricted stock units were cancelled. 127 of the vested restricted stock units converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the transaction date. One-third of the remaining restricted stock units convert to common stock on a one-to-one basis annually on February 28, 2012, 2013 and 2014, subject to a continuing employment requirement.

Represents an incentive compensation award. Vesting of the award is subject to attainment of 2011 performance criteria. Vested restricted
 - (2) stock units convert into common stock on a one-to one basis in four equal annual installments from the transaction date, subject to a continuing employment requirement.
 - (3) Represents an incentive compensation award. Converts into common stock on a one-to one basis in four equal annual installments from the transaction date, subject to a continuing employment requirement.
 - (4) 126 restricted stock units granted in 2010 converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the transaction date. The remaining restricted stock units convert to common stock on a one-to-one basis in equal installments on February 28, 2012, 2013 and 2014, subject to a continuing employment requirement.

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