

GARDNER TIMOTHY J
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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 *
 GARDNER TIMOTHY J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC
 [ITW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS
 INC., 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/26/2010

____ Director
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner
 _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

GLENVIEW, IL 60026

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	04/26/2010		M		5,419	A	\$ 35.12 10,381 ⁽¹⁾ D
Common Stock	04/26/2010		S		5,419	D	\$ 52.284 4,962 ⁽²⁾ D
Common Stock	04/26/2010		M		4,500	A	\$ 42.08 9,462 D
Common Stock	04/26/2010		S		2,757	D	\$ 52.303 6,705 ⁽³⁾ D

Common Stock	2,229	I	See Footnote (4)
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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of S	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of S
Employee Stock Option	\$ 47.13					12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock	4,0
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.08	04/26/2010		M	4,500	12/07/2006	02/01/2016	Common Stock	4,5
Employee Stock Option	\$ 51.6					02/09/2008 ⁽⁵⁾	02/09/2017	Common Stock	22,
Employee Stock Option	\$ 48.51					02/08/2009 ⁽⁵⁾	02/08/2018	Common Stock	25,
Employee Stock Option	\$ 35.12	04/26/2010		M	5,419	02/13/2010 ⁽⁵⁾	02/13/2019	Common Stock	21,
Restricted Stock Unit ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 0					⁽⁷⁾	⁽⁷⁾	Common Stock	3,1
Qualifying Restricted Stock Unit ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 0					⁽⁸⁾	⁽⁸⁾	Common Stock	2,0
Employee Stock Option	\$ 43.64					02/12/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	02/12/2020	Common Stock	48,
Performance Restricted Stock Unit ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 0					⁽⁸⁾	⁽⁸⁾	Common Stock	5,3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GARDNER TIMOTHY J ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE GLENVIEW, IL 60026			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

Timothy J. Gardner by James H. Wooten, Jr., Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, Attorney-In-Fact POA on File.

04/28/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Due to a typographical error, this number was increased by 2,000.

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$52.28 to \$52.29. The price reported above reflects the weighted

(2) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, Illinois Tool Works Inc. or a shareholder of Illinois Tool Works Inc. full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$52.30 to \$52.31. The price reported above reflects the weighted

(3) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, Illinois Tool Works Inc. or a shareholder of Illinois Tool Works Inc. full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

(4) Shares of common stock allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan--Information reported as of March 31, 2010.

(5) Options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.

(6) Each restricted stock unit (RSU), qualifying restricted stock unit (QRSU) and performance restricted stock unit (PRSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.

(7) Each RSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant.

(8) Each QRSU and PRSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant if performance goals are met.

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