

Adams David Charles
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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 *
 Adams David Charles

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CURTISS WRIGHT CORP [CW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/17/2008

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Co-Chief Operating Officer

C/O CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION, 4 BECKER FARM ROAD, 3RD FLOOR

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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ROSELAND, NJ 07068

(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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	11/17/2008		A		9,358 (1) \$ 30.12 (2)	D	
					18,055.961		

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)

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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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 30.12 <u>(2)</u>	11/17/2008		A		31,421 <u>(3)</u>		11/17/2009	11/17/2018	Common Stock	31,421

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Adams David Charles C/O CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION 4 BECKER FARM ROAD, 3RD FLOOR ROSELAND, NJ 07068			Co-Chief Operating Officer	

Signatures

Paul J. Ferdenzi by Power of Attorney for David Adams 11/18/2008

__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) These shares are restricted for a period of three years and are subject to forfeiture if the Officer should leave the employ of the Company
- (2) Price is based on the closing price as reported by the New York Stock Exchange for the Corporation's Common Stock as of November 14, 2008.
- (3) Up to 1/3 of the shares covered by the option vest on 11/17/09, vesting increases to 2/3 of such shares on 11/17/10, and increasing to all shares on 11/17/11.
- (4) No price on the date of issue, option having been granted as an employee benefit transaction. The option has a value of \$8.97 per share using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model.

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