

BREEN JOHN G
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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 *
BREEN JOHN G

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1000 STANLEY DRIVE
 (Street)

NEW BRITAIN, CT 06053

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
STANLEY WORKS [SWK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
09/15/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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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) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 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 | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|
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| Derivative Security | | Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---|------|-----|------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------------------|---------|
| | | | V | (A) | | | | | (D) |
| Deferred Shares ⁽³⁾ | \$ 44.9 ⁽⁴⁾ | 09/15/2008 | A | | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(2)</u> | Common Stock | 473.274 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BREEN JOHN G 1000 STANLEY DRIVE NEW BRITAIN, CT 06053 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Bruce H. Beatt,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/16/2008

**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) Currently 100% vested
- (2) The reporting director will receive common stock of the corporation on the first business day of the calendar year immediately following the year in which he ceases to be a director
- (3) Book entry of shares credited to Director's account upon the deferral of retainer and chairperson fee pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors maintained by The Stanley Works
- (4) Fair market value on date established for payment of fee or dividend

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