

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC
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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 *
ZENTMYER HUGH 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)
3600 W. LAKE AVENUE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2005

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

GLENVIEW, IL 60026-1215

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	12/16/2005		F	3,634 D \$ 90.17	12,561	D	
Common Stock <u>(3)</u>	08/30/2005		A	0 A \$ 0	11,014	I	See Footnote <u>(3)</u>
Common Stock <u>(4)</u>	08/30/2005		A	0 A \$ 0	7,875	I	See Footnote <u>(4)</u>
Common Stock <u>(5)</u>	09/30/2005		A	0 A \$ 0	325	I	See Footnote <u>(5)</u>

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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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 30.125	11/17/2005		M	24,000	12/08/1996 12/08/2005	Common Stock 24,000
Employee Stock Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 55.875	12/15/2000		A	60,000	12/15/2001 12/15/2010	Common Stock 60,000
Employee Stock Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 62.25	12/14/2001		A	50,000	12/14/2002 12/14/2011	Common Stock 50,000
Employee Stock Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 94.26	12/10/2004		A	40,000	12/10/2005 12/10/2014	Common Stock 40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
ZENTMYER HUGH J 3600 W. LAKE AVENUE GLENVIEW, IL 60026-1215	Executive Vice President

Signatures

Hugh J. Zentmyer by James H. Wooten, Jr., V.P., Gen. Counsel & Secretary
Attorney-In-Fact POA on File

12/20/2005

__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) Includes grant of restricted stock vesting over 3 year period: 12/16/2003, 12/16/2004, 12/16/2005.
- (2) Includes grant of restricted stock vesting over 3 year period: 12/16/2004, 12/16/2005, 12/18/2006
- (3) These shares, previously reported as directly owned by the reporting person, were transferred to a trust established by the reporting person's spouse.
- (4) Includes 7,875 shares allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan as of 9/30/2005. These shares were previously reported as directly owned.
- (5) Includes 325 shares held in a trust of which I am the Trustee and in which a member of my immediate family has a pecuniary interest. These shares were previously reported as directly owned.
- (6) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.

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