

WORTHINGTON INDUSTRIES INC  
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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 \*  
 Ponko Edmund L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 WORTHINGTON INDUSTRIES INC [WOR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 200 OLD WILSON BRIDGE RD.  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/01/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Pres. Dietrich Industries

COLUMBUS, OH 43085

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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 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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial 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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3 and 4)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 18.17	06/01/2006	A		35,000		06/01/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/31/2016	common shares	35,000
Phantom Stock	<sup>(2)</sup>						<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(4)</sup>	common shares	10,790

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ponko Edmund L 200 OLD WILSON BRIDGE RD. COLUMBUS, OH 43085			Pres. Dietrich Industries	

## Signatures

/s/ Dale T. Brinkman, as attorney-in-fact for Edmund L. Ponko, Jr. 06/02/2006

         \*\*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).
- This option was granted out of the Worthington Industries, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan and vests at 20% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. Date listed is the first day any portion of the option vests. Additional portions of 20% of the option vest annually on 6/01/2008, 6/01/2009, 6/01/2010 and 6/01/2011.
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  - (2) The accounts track common shares on a one-for-one basis
  - (3) The account balances related to the theoretical common shares may be immediately transferred to other investment options under the terms of the deferred compensation plans.
  - (4) These are unfunded accounts under Worthington Industries, Inc.'s deferred compensation plan invested in phantom stock. Distributions are made only in cash, and generally commence upon retirement or other termination of employment.
- Amount listed is the most up-to-date information available regarding phantom stock acquired as a result of reinvestment of dividends pursuant to the Worthington Industries, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan as of May 31, 2006. Between September 29, 2005 and May 31, 2006, 189 common shares were acquired through dividend reinvestments in that fund.

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