

SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 DEITRICH WAYNE H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL INC [SWM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNAT'L, INC., 100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST, SUITE 600

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/24/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CEO, Chairman of the Board

(Street)
 ALPHARETTA, GA 30022

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| SWM Common Stock | 01/24/2005 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 4,339 A \$ 23.045 | 98,403 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| SWM Common Stock | | | | | 100 | I | By Charitable Remainder Trust |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 23.045 | 01/24/2005 | | M | 4,339 | 01/15/2003 ⁽³⁾ 01/14/2012 | SWM Common Stock | 4,339 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DEITRICH WAYNE H C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNAT'L, INC. 100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST, SUITE 600 ALPHARETTA, GA 30022 | X | | CEO, Chairman of the Board | |

Signatures

Honor Winks as Attorney-in-fact for Wayne H. Deitrich

01/25/2005

**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) Exercise of an in-the-money option, exempt under Rule 16b-6(b).
- (2) Includes 24 shares of SWM common stock acquired through the 401(k) Plan from 01/01/05-01/23/05.
- (3) Grant became fully exercisable on 1/15/2005.

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(4) This transaction is an option exercise.

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