

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 *
 SPEER DAVID B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC
 [ITW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman & CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS
 INC., 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/16/2008

GLENVIEW, IL 60026

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V Amount (1)				
Common Stock	12/16/2008		G	V	30,000 (1)	D	\$ 0 39,342	D	
Common Stock	12/16/2008		G	V	30,000	A	\$ 0 30,000 (2)	I	By spouse
Common Stock						I	1,848 (3)	I	See footnote

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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 32.75	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	30,000	12/17/2000	12/17/2009	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 32.75	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	30,000	12/17/2000	12/17/2009	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 27.9375	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	75,000	12/15/2001	12/15/2010	Common Stock
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Employee Stock Option	\$ 31.125	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	60,000	12/14/2002	12/14/2011	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 31.125	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	60,000	12/14/2002	12/14/2011	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 47.13	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	112,500	12/10/2005 ⁽⁵⁾	12/10/2014	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 47.13	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	112,500	12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.08	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	100,000	12/07/2006 ⁽⁶⁾	02/01/2016	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.08	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	100,000	12/07/2006	02/01/2016	Common Stock
Employee Stock	\$ 51.6	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾	V	50,000	02/09/2008 ⁽⁵⁾	02/09/2017	Common Stock

Option								
Employee								
Stock	\$ 51.6	12/16/2008		G ⁽⁴⁾ V	50,000	02/09/2008	02/09/2017	Common Stock
Option								
Employee								
Stock	\$ 48.51					02/08/2009 ⁽⁵⁾	02/08/2018	Common Stock
Option								

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SPEER DAVID B ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE GLENVIEW, IL 60026	X		Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

David B. Speer by James H. Wooten, Jr., Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, Attorney-In-Fact POA on File 12/24/2008

__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 were previously reported as directly owned by the reporting person.
- (2) The 30,000 shares to my spouse were previously reported as directly owned.
- (3) Includes 1,848 shares of common stock allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan--Information reported as of September 30, 2008.
- (4) The reporting person gifted 1/2 of vested stock options to his spouse, who shares reporting person's household.
- (5) Options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.
- (6) Options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning in each December following the grant date.

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