

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* Zerkle John R (Last) (First) (Middle) ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD (Street) BATESVILLE, IN 47006 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Hillenbrand, Inc. [HI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2011 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/06/2011		F		10,156	D	\$ 18.59	93,878 (1)	D	
Common Stock	12/06/2011		C		1,255	A	\$ 22.26	95,133 (1)	D	
Common Stock	12/06/2011		F		388	D	\$ 22.26	94,745 (1)	D	

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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units (Deferred Stock Award) 12/5/07	(2)	12/06/2011		C		1,255	12/06/2009(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,255	\$ 22.26	1,507	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.26	12/06/2011		A		21,698	12/06/2012(4)	12/06/2021(4)	Common Stock	21,698	\$ 0	21,698	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Zerkle John R ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD BATESVILLE, IN 47006			Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec	

Signatures

Carol A. Roell As Attorney-In-Fact for John R. Zerkle	12/08/2011
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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 57,698 unvested shares of performance-based restricted stock. Does not include 12,270 previously reported shares of performance-based restricted stock that did not vest and were forfeited.

(2) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Securities is 1-for-1.

Restricted Stock Units vested 20% on 12/6/2009; 25% on 12/6/2010; and 25% on 12/6/2011. The remaining units will fully vest on 12/6/2012. Stock units will automatically be converted into shares

(3) of common stock in accordance with the respective vesting schedule unless a previous deferral election has been made. Stock units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights, which accrue on dividend record dates.

(4) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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