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				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Hillenbrand, Inc. [HI]							5.	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below) Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec				
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2011												
(Street) BATESVILLE, IN 47006				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	EEE, II v I	(State)	(Zip)			7	Table	I - Non-De	erivativ	e Securitie	s Acquire	ed, Disposed	of, or Bene	ficially Owne	d	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Da r) any (Month/Day/		,	3. Tra Code (Instr	r. 8)	(A) or	Disposed of 3, 4 and 5) (A) or nt (D)	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) For [Instr. 3 and 4) Dir or I (I)		wnership orm: irect (D) Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)	
		parate line for each	Table II -	Derivativ	ve Se	curiti	es Ac	Perso in thi displa quired, Dis	ons whos form ays a consequence	are not re	equired to a lid of the contract of the contra	o respond B control n	unless the	ion containe form	ed SEC 14	474 (9-02)
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if		Code of (Instr. 8) Do Se Ad (A Di of (Instr. 8) Of (Instr. 8)		5. Num of Deriv	ber vative rities aired or osed 0)	Expiration Date		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)	Ownershi Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	(Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	le	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units (Deferred Stock Award)	(1)	12/30/2011		A ⁽²⁾		13		12/06/20	009(3)	(3)	Comm Stocl	1 13	\$ 22.32	1,520	D	
12/5/07					1						<u> </u>					

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	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	01/04/2012	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

Explanation of Responses:

- \star 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) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Securities is 1-for-1.
- (2) Restricted Stock Units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights which accrue on dividend record dates.
- Restricted Stock Units vest 20% on 12/6/2009; 25% on 12/6/2010; 25% on 12/6/2011 and 30% on 12/6/2012. Stock units will automatically be converted into shares of common stock in (3) 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

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