

HILLENBRAND 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 *
 WAASER R ERNEST

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC [HB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 700 STATE ROUTE 46E
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/15/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice President

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 (Instr. 3)	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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
			(A)	(D)			
Employee Stock Option - Right To Buy	(1) 12/15/2004	A	24,000		12/15/2005(2)	12/15/2014(2)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units(Deferred Stock Award)12/15/04 (5 yr.)	(1) 12/15/2004	A	3,200		12/15/2006(3)	(3)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units(Deferred Stock Award)12/15/04 (1 yr.)	(1) 12/15/2004	A	360		12/15/2005(4)	(4)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WAASER R ERNEST 700 STATE ROUTE 46E BATESVILLE, IN 47006			Vice President	

Signatures

R. Ernest
Waaser 12/16/2004

**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) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security is 1-for-1.
- (2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.
Restricted Stock Units vest 20% on 12/15/06; 25% on 12/15/07; 25% on 12/15/08; and 30% on 12/15/09. Stock units will automatically
- (3) be converted into shares 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) Restricted Stock Units will automatically be converted into shares of common stock on the vesting date unless a previous deferral election has been made. Stock units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights, which accrue on dividend record dates.

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