

BUSSE KEITH E  
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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 \*  
BUSSE KEITH E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STEEL DYNAMICS INC [STLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
11522 WEST SYCAMORE HILLS DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/09/2004

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

(Street)  
FORT WAYNE, IN 46814

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 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 or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/09/2004                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 6,001 A \$ 10   | 585,498  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/09/2004                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 4,260 A \$ 14.09  | 589,758  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/09/2004                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 3,383 A \$ 17.74  | 593,141  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/09/2004                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 4,704 A \$ 12.76  | 597,845  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/09/2004                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 5,766 A \$ 13.88  | 603,611  | D   |

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|              |            |   |        |   |          |         |   |
|--------------|------------|---|--------|---|----------|---------|---|
| Common Stock | 11/09/2004 | S | 15,954 | D | \$ 37.35 | 587,657 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/09/2004 | S | 2,000  | D | \$ 37.53 | 585,657 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/09/2004 | S | 394    | D | \$ 37.49 | 585,263 | 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) |       |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 10  | 11/09/2004                           |  | M                              | 6,001<br>(2)  | 11/21/2000 05/21/2005                                    | Common Stock  | 6,001 |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 14.09   | 11/09/2004                           |  | M                              | 4,260<br>(2)  | 11/21/2001 05/21/2006                                    | Common Stock  | 4,260 |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 17.74   | 11/09/2004                           |  | M                              | 3,383<br>(2)  | 11/21/2002 05/21/2007                                    | Common Stock  | 3,383 |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 12.76   | 11/09/2004                           |  | M                              | 4,704<br>(2)  | 11/21/2003 05/21/2008                                    | Common Stock  | 4,704 |                            |

buy)

Employee

Stock

|        |          |            |  |   |              |            |            |                 |       |
|--------|----------|------------|--|---|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------|-------|
| Option | \$ 13.88 | 11/09/2004 |  | M | 5,766<br>(2) | 05/21/2000 | 11/21/2004 | Common<br>Stock | 5,766 |
|--------|----------|------------|--|---|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------|-------|

(right to  
buy)

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| BUSSE KEITH E<br>11522 WEST SYCAMORE HILLS DRIVE<br>FORT WAYNE, IN 46814 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

Keith E. Busse                      11/11/2004

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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 stock option and acquisition of underlying stock pursuant to employee stock option plan exempt under Rule 16b-6(b).
- (2) Disposition of option exempt under Rule 16b-3(e).

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