### ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

Form 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ALDINGER WILLIAM F III Issuer Symbol ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC (Check all applicable) [ITW] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE 10/17/2008 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting GLENVIEW, IL 60026 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Beneficial (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount Price Code (D) Common 10/17/2008 Α 1.030 29,652 (1) D Stock 33.98 See Common 200 I 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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. 6. Date Exercisable and ctionNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year)		te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secur
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3				(Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock (3)	\$ 0					08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	2,314	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ALDINGER WILLIAM F III							
3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE	X						
GLENVIEW, IL 60026							

# **Signatures**

William F. Aldinger by James H. Wooten, Jr., Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, Attorney-In-Fact POA on File

10/20/2008

\*\*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) Includes 13,313 shares of deferred stock under the ITW Directors' Deferred Fee Plan as of October 17, 2008.
- (2) Shares held by my spouse as to which I disclaim beneficial ownership.

Represents units of phantom stock under the Phantom Stock Plan for non-employee directors as of October 17, 2008. Each unit is equal in value to one share of common stock. The units are not transferable and have no voting rights. Additional units are credited in amounts equivalent to cash dividends paid on the common stock.

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