

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 HANSEN THOMAS J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC [ITW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/16/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock (1) (2)	12/16/2004		F	3,278	D	\$ 91.98	23,255	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)**

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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 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 58.25	12/11/1998		A	30,000	12/11/1999	12/11/2008	Common Stock	30,000
Employee Stock Option <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 65.5	12/17/1999		A	30,000	12/17/2000	12/17/2009	Common Stock	30,000
Employee Stock Option <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 55.875	12/15/2000		A	32,000	12/15/2001	12/15/2010	Common Stock	32,000
Employee Stock Option <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 62.25	12/14/2001		A	60,000	12/14/2002	12/14/2011	Common Stock	60,000
Employee Stock Option <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 94.26	12/10/2004		A	75,000	12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock	75,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HANSEN THOMAS J			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

Thomas J. Hansen by S. S. Hudnut, Sr. V.P., Gen. Counsel & Secretary Attorney-In-Fact  
 POA on File 12/17/2004

\_\_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) Includes Restricted stock vesting over 3 year period: 12/16/03, 12/16/04, 12/16/05
- (2) Includes Restricted Stock vesting over 3 year period: 12/16/2004, 12/16/2005, 12/18/2006
- (3) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.

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