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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSIO Washington, D.C. 20549								3235-0287		
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(Print or Type R	esponses)									
Schaus Roger Jr. Sy			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENERAC HOLDINGS INC.				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
		[GNRC	[GNRC]				(Check all applicable)			
(M			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2012				Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Senior Vice President			
			If Amendment, Date Original ed(Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 			
WAUKESH	A, WI 53189							More than One Re		
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	FransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock par value \$0.01 per share	02/24/2012		Code V	Amount 1,457 (1)	or (D) A	Price \$ 0	(Instr. 3 and 4) 33,611	D		
Common Stock par value \$0.01 per share	02/24/2012		А	4,371 (2)	A	\$ 0	37,982	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e Expiration I (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.94	02/24/2012		А	6,499	(3)	02/24/2022	Common Stock	6,499	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Schaus Roger Jr. C/O GENERAC HOLDINGS INC. P.O. BOX 8 WAUKESHA, WI 53189			Senior Vice President				
Signatures							
/s/York A. Ragen, Attorney-in-fact	02/28/2012	2					

**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) Subject to Mr. Schaus' continued service through the vesting date, the Restricted Shares shall all vest in equal installments on each of the first three (3) anniversaries of the Date of Grant.
- (2) Subject to Mr. Schaus' continued service through the vesting date: (i) fifty (50) percent of the Restricted Shares shall vest on the fourth (4th) anniversary of the Date of Grant and (ii) fifty (50) percent of the Restricted Shares shall vest on the fifth (5th) anniversary of the Date of Grant. However, subject to Mr. Schaus' continued service through the vesting date, if, within the three (3) year period following the Date of Grant, certain performance metrics are attained, all of the Restricted Shares shall vest on the third (3rd) anniversary of the

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Date of Grant.

(3) Options shall vest in equal installments on each of the first four (4) anniversaries of the Date of Grant.

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