ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SANTI ERNEST SCOTT	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) ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC., 155 HARLEM AVENUE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2015	_X_ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO			
(Street) GLENVIEW, IL 60025	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/09/2015		M	74,077	A	\$ 43.64	131,456	D		
Common Stock	03/09/2015		S	74,077	D	\$ 98.49 (1)	57,379	D		
Common Stock							3,493	I	See Footnote	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	Code		5. Number of ctionDerivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar Nu Sh
Employee Stock Option	\$ 43.64	03/09/2015		M			74,077	02/12/2011	02/12/2020	Common Stock	7
Performance Restricted Stock Unit (granted 2/13/15) (3)	\$ 0							<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	2
Employee Stock Option	\$ 63.25							02/15/2014(5)	02/15/2023	Common Stock	30
Employee Stock Option	\$ 78.59							02/14/2015(5)	02/14/2024	Common Stock	22
Employee Stock Option	\$ 55.81							02/11/2012	02/11/2021	Common Stock	1(
Employee Stock Option	\$ 55.71							02/10/2013(5)	02/10/2022	Common Stock	10
Performance Restricted Stock Unit (granted 2/14/2014)	\$0							<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	3
Employee Stock Option	\$ 98.26							02/13/2016(5)	02/13/2026	Common Stock	18
Performance Restricted Stock Unit (granted 2/15/2013)	\$ 0							<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	3

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other SANTI ERNEST SCOTT X President & CEO

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. 155 HARLEM AVENUE GLENVIEW, IL 60025

Signatures

Ernest Scott Santi by Maria C. Green, Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, Attorney-In-Fact POA on File

03/11/2015

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$98.16 to \$98.97. The price reported above reflects the weighted (1) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, Illinois Tool Works Inc. or a shareholder of Illinois Tool Works Inc. full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- Shares of common stock allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan---Information reported as of **(2)** March 9, 2015.
- (3) Each performance restricted stock unit (PRSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (4) Each PRSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant if performance goals are met.
- (5) Options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.

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