

NAGARAJAN SUNDARAM  
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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 \*  
 NAGARAJAN SUNDARAM

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/25/2012

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

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS  
 INC, 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE  
 (Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

GLENVIEW, IL 60026

(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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/25/2012		M	9,755 A \$ 35.12	13,315	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2012		S	7,164 D \$ 57.46 (1)	6,151	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2012		M	7,205 A \$ 42.08	13,356	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2012		F	5,882 D \$ 57.46	7,474	D	
					2,441	I	

Common  
StockSee  
Footnote  
(2)

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Employee Stock Option	\$ 47.13					12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.08	04/25/2012		M	7,205	12/07/2006	02/01/2016	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 51.6					02/09/2008	02/09/2017	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 48.51					02/08/2009	02/08/2018	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 35.12	04/25/2012		M	9,755	02/13/2010 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/13/2019	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 43.64					02/12/2011 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/12/2020	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 57.55	04/25/2012		A	5,276	04/25/2013	02/01/2016	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0					<sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 55.81					02/11/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/11/2021	Common Stock
Performance Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0					<sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(6)</sup>	Common Stock
	\$ 0					<sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(6)</sup>	

Performance Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(4)</sup>				Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 55.71	02/10/2013 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/10/2022	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NAGARAJAN SUNDARAM ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE GLENVIEW, IL 60026			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

Sundaram Nagarajan by Maria C. Green, Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, Attorney-In-Fact POA on File 04/25/2012

\_\_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 \$57.461 to \$57.472. The price reported above reflects the
- (1) weighted 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.
  - (2) Shares of common stock allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan-Information reported as of April 25, 2012.
  - (3) Options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.
  - (4) Each restricted stock unit (RSU) and performance restricted stock unit (PRSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
  - (5) Each RSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant.
  - (6) Each PRSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant if performance goals are met.

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