

ULLMAN GARY W  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
ULLMAN GARY W

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
691 S. MILPITAS BLVD.  
(Street)

MILPITAS, CA 95035

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Steel Excel Inc. [ADPT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/10/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
Common Stock	10/10/2011 <sup>(1)</sup>		A	V	1,625 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0.001	1,625	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.85	10/10/2011		A	3,250	10/10/2012 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/10/2021	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ULLMAN GARY W 691 S. MILPITAS BLVD. MILPITAS, CA 95035		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Gary W. Ullman 10/11/2011

\*\*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) Represents an award of Restricted Stock Units from the Issuer's 2006 Director Plan for 1,625 shares of common stock that would vest with respect to 33.33% of the shares on October 10, 2012 and 8.33% of the shares quarterly thereafter, such that the award is fully vested on October 10, 2014.
- (2) A total of 3,250 of Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted on October 10, 2011 from the Issuer's 2006 Director Plan. The option shall vest at a rate of 33.33% of the shares on October 10, 2012 and 8.33% of the shares quarterly thereafter, such that the total option shares will be fully vested on October 10, 2014.

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