ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ALDINGER WILLIAM F III Issuer Symbol ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC (Check all applicable) [ITW] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 150 N MICHIGAN AVE 12/16/2004 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CHICAGO, IL 60601 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 1.Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Beneficial (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price Common Stock (1) (2) 12/16/2004 G 3,000 D 6,352 D (4)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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
Phantom Stock (3)	\$ 0	12/11/1998		A	1,077	08/08/1998	08/08/1988	Common Stock	1,077

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner reduces	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ALDINGER WILLIAM F III 150 N MICHIGAN AVE CHICAGO, IL 60601	X					

Signatures

William F. Aldinger 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 Deferred Stock under the ITW Non-Officers Directors Fee Conversion Plan.
- (2) Includes 100 shares held by my wife as to which I disclaim beneficial ownership.
- Represents units of Phantom Stock under the Phantom Stock Plan for non-officer directors. Each unit is equal in value to one share of
- (3) common stock. The units are not transferable and have no voting rights. Additional units are credited in amounts equivalent to cash dividends paid on the common stock.
- (4) Includes Grant of 900 shares of Restricted Stock 2/11/04 vesting as follows: 450 shares 1/3/2005 and 450 shares 1/2/2006

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