STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

1(b).

SPEER DAVID B Issuer Symbol ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC (Check all applicable) [ITW] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) PO BOX 94242 12/10/2004 **Executive Vice President**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(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 Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

PALATINE, IL 60094-4242

(3)

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock (1) (2) D 08/08/1998 A 0 Α \$0 37,416

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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	Amoun Numbe Shares
Employee Stock Option (4)	\$ 54.62	12/12/1997		A	30,000	12/12/1998	12/12/2007	Common Stock	30,00
Employee Stock Option (4)	\$ 58.25	12/11/1998		A	30,000	12/11/1999	12/11/2008	Common Stock	30,00
Employee Stock Option (4)	\$ 65.5	12/17/1999		A	30,000	12/17/2000	12/17/2009	Common Stock	30,00
Employee Stock Option (4)	\$ 55.875	12/15/2000		A	75,000	12/15/2001	12/15/2010	Common Stock	75,00
Employee Stock Option (4)	\$ 62.25	12/14/2001		A	60,000	12/14/2002	12/14/2011	Common Stock	60,00
Employee Stock Option (4)	\$ 94.26	12/10/2004		A	150,000	12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock	150,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SPEER DAVID B PO BOX 94242 PALATINE, IL 60094-4242

Executive Vice President

Signatures

David B. Speer by S. S. Hudnut, Sr. V. P., Gen. Counsel & Secretary Attorney-In-Fact POA on File

12/13/2004

**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 Grant of Restricted Stock vesting over three year period: 12/16/2003, 12/16/2004, 12/16/2005

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- (2) Includes Grant of Restricted Stock vesting over 3 year period: 12/16/2004, 12/16/2005, 12/18/2006
- (3) Includes 870 shares allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan. Information reported as of 12/9/2004...
- (4) These options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.

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