STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ZENTMYER HUGH J			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) 3600 W. LAKE AVENUE		iddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2005	Director 10% Owner Sofficer (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive Vice President		
	(Street)		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		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	ies Ownership Indire cially Form: Benef Direct (D) Owne ing or Indirect (Instr. ed (I) ction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock (1) (2)	12/20/2005		S	3,579	D	\$ 89.0848	8,982	D	
Common Stock (1) (2)	12/20/2005		G	2,000	D	\$ 89.605	6,982	D	
Common Stock (7)	12/20/2005		G	2,000	A	\$ 89.605	2,000	I	See Footnote (7)
Common Stock (3)	08/30/2005		A	0	A	\$ 0	11,014	I	See Footnote

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								(3)
Common Stock (4)	08/30/2005	A	0	A	\$ 0	7,875	I	See Footnote
Common Stock (5)	09/30/2005	A	0	A	\$ 0	325	I	See Footnote (5)

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 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 Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 30.125	11/17/2005		M	2	24,000	12/08/1996	12/08/2005	Common Stock	24
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 55.875	12/15/2000		A	60,000		12/15/2001	12/15/2010	Common Stock	60
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 62.25	12/14/2001		A	50,000		12/14/2002	12/14/2011	Common Stock	50
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 94.26	12/10/2004		A	40,000		12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock	40

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ZENTMYER HUGH J			Evacutive Vice President					
3600 W. LAKE AVENUE GLENVIEW, IL 60026-1215			Executive Vice President					

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Signatures

Hugh J. Zentmyer by James H. Wooten, Jr., V.P., Gen. Counsel & Secretary Attorney-In-Fact POA on File

12/22/2005

**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 3 year period: 12/16/2003, 12/16/2004, 12/16/2005.
- (2) Includes grant of restricted stock vesting over 3 year period: 12/16/2004, 12/16/2005, 12/18/2006
- These shares, previously reported as directly owned by the reporting person, were transferred to a trust established by the reporting person's spouse.
- (4) Includes 7,875 shares allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan as of 9/30/2005. These shares were previously reported as directly owned.
- (5) Includes 325 shares held in a trust of which I am the Trustee and in which a member of my immediate family has a pecuniary interest. These shares were previously reported as directly owned.
- (6) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.
- (7) Shares previously reported as directly owned and subsequently transferred to the Hugh J. Zentmyer Revocable Trust Hugh J. Zentmyer Trustee.

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