FARRELL W JAMES

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FARRELL W JAMES			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)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2006					X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Ap _X —	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - N	lon-	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acquire	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution D any (Month/Day	ate, if	3. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securitie on Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4)	f(D)		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock (1)	01/05/2006			G	V	356	D	\$ 89.32	67,492	I	See Footnote	
Common Stock (1)	02/06/2006			G	V	59	D	\$ 84.285	67,433	I	See Footnotes	
Common Stock (1)	03/17/2006			G	V	104	D	\$ 97.79	67,329	I	See Footnote (1)	
Common Stock (1)	03/21/2006			M		100,000	A	\$ 54.62	167,329	I	See Footnotes	

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<u>(6)</u>								<u>(1)</u> <u>(6)</u>
Common Stock (1)	03/21/2006	S	56,763	D	\$ 96.4447	110,566	I	See Footnote
Common Stock (2)	08/08/1998	A	0	A	\$ 0	130,302	I	See Footnote (2)
Common Stock (3)	08/08/1998	A	0	A	\$ 0	7,141	I	See Footnote
Common Stock (4) (5)	08/08/1998	A	0	D	\$ 0	68,724	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)

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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Expiration Date Underlying (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and Or (D)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Numbe Shares		
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 54.62	03/21/2006		M	100,000	12/12/1998	12/12/2007	Common Stock	100,0		
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 58.25	12/11/1998		A	100,000	12/11/1999	12/11/2008	Common Stock	100,0		
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 65.5	12/17/1999		A	200,000	12/17/2000	12/17/2009	Common Stock	200,0		
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 55.875	12/15/2000		A	412,000	12/15/2001	12/15/2010	Common Stock	412,0		
Employee Stock	\$ 62.25	12/14/2001		A	400,000	12/14/2002	12/14/2011	Common Stock	400,0		

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Option (6)								
Employee Stock Option	\$ 92.04	09/17/2004	A	23,069	09/17/2005	12/15/2010	Common Stock	23,06
Employee Stock Option (6)	\$ 94.26	12/10/2004	A	400,000	12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock	400,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FARRELL W JAMES				
	X		Chairman	

Signatures

W. James Farrell by James H. Wooten, Jr., V.P., General Counsel & Secretary Attorney-In-Fact POA on File

03/23/2006

**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) Shares held in revocable trust.
- (2) Shares held in JM investment Partners L.P.
- (3) 7,141 shares allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan. Information reported as of 12/31/2005.
- (4) Includes grant of restricted stock that vested over a 3 year period: 12/16/03, 12/16/04, 12/16/05.
- (5) Includes grant of restricted stock vesting over 3 year period: 12/16/04, 12/16/05, 12/18/06.
- (6) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.

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