Finch Norman D. Jr. Form 4 October 26, 2017

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Finch Norman D. Jr. Symbol ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC (Check all applicable) [ITW] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 155 HARLEM AVE. 10/25/2017 Sr. VP, General Counsel & Secy (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 GLENVIEW, IL 60025 Person (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 Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 10/25/2017 P 4,371 A 4,371 D Stock 156.33 **SEE** Commom 10/25/2017 P Ι **FOOTNOTE** 615 \$ 156.4 615 Stock (1)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Employee Stock Option	\$ 126.88					02/01/2018(2)	02/01/2027	Common Stock	28,928
Restricted Stock Unit (granted 2/1/17) (3)	\$ 0					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	6,108
Employee Stock Option	\$ 128					02/10/2018(2)	02/10/2027	Common Stock	15,374
Performance Share Units granted 2/10/17 (3) (5)	\$ 0					<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	1,634

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Finch Norman D. Jr.						

155 HARLEM AVE. GLENVIEW, IL 60025 Sr. VP, General Counsel & Secy

Signatures

Norman D. Finch, Jr. by Janet O. Love, Deputy General Counsel & Assistant Secretary, Attorney-In Fact POA on File.

10/26/2017

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 of common stock held in spouse's IRA.

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- (2) Options vest in four (4) equal installments beginning one year from date of grant.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit (RSU) and performance share unit (PSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (4) Each RSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant.
- (5) PSUs accrue dividends in shares of common stock, subject to fulfillment of vesting period and performance goals; the PSUs shown include dividend equivalents accrued to date.
- (6) Each PSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant if performance goals are met.

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