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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue.

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Adda St Clair Joyce	ress of Reporti	ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
			NORTHERN TRUST CORP [NTRS]			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET			01/27/2011	below) below) Executive Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
CHICAGO, IL	, 60603		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zin)		Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed of (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	01/27/2011		M	3,066	` ′	\$ 32.615	19,455	I	By Trust
Common Stock	01/27/2011		F	1,896	D	\$ 52.735	17,559	I	By Trust
Common Stock (1)							28,706	D	
Common Stock							5,108 (2)	I	401(k)

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	Securities	6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.615	01/27/2011		M	3,066	02/18/2006	02/18/2013	Common Stock	3,066

Reporting Owners

	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	*

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

St Clair Joyce

50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET Executive Vice President

CHICAGO, IL 60603

Signatures

Paul A. Bernacki Attorney-in-Fact for Joyce St.

Clair 01/28/2011

**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) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock
- (2) as of 12-31-2010

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