

ACTUANT CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PETERSON ROBERT A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DRIVE

(Street)

BUTLER, WI 53007

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ACTUANT CORP [ATU]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/10/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 16,400 | I | By IRA |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 3,000 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By Trust for Benefit of Son |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 3,000 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By Trust for Benefit of Daughter |
| Class A | | | | | 4,400 | D | |

Common
Stock

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 Derivative 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|---------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | |
| Phantom Stock ⁽²⁾ | ⁽³⁾ | 12/10/2010 | | A | 596 | ⁽²⁾ | ⁽²⁾ | Class A Common Stock | 596 | \$ 27.2 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETERSON ROBERT A
13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DRIVE X
BUTLER, WI 53007

Signatures

/s/ Eric Orsic, as Attorney-in-Fact 12/14/2010

**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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust.

(2)

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Pursuant to the Outside Director's Deferred Compensation Plan, the phantom stock units are settled in stock generally following the director's termination of service.

(3) The phantom stock is converted 1 for 1 into shares of class A Common Stock.

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