Riordan Thomas Form 4 December 14, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Riordan Thomas

(First) (Middle)

C/O ROCKWOOD HOLDINGS.

INC., 100 OVERLOOK CENTER

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Rockwood Holdings, Inc. [ROC]

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

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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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) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

3.

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

Common

Stock, par 12/10/2010 value \$0.01

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

 $A^{(1)}$

6.912

\$0

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Riordan Thomas C/O ROCKWOOD HOLDINGS, INC. 100 OVERLOOK CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540

SVP, Law & Administration

Signatures

/s/ Thomas Riordan 12/14/2010

**Signature of Date 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) Restricted Stock Units.

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