

BARR WENDEL
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BARR WENDEL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

COVANCE INC., 210 CARNEGIE CENTER

(Street)

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COVANCE INC [CVD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/14/2010

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)
Executive Vice President & COO

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	12/14/2010		M	10,995 A \$ 22.95	64,757	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2010		M	14,000 A \$ 29.69	78,757	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2010		M	6,305 A \$ 39.8	85,062	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2010		S	31,300 D \$ 49.75	53,762	D	
Common Stock - 401(k)					2,213 ⁽¹⁾	I	Held By Trustee

Plan

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.95	12/14/2010		M	10,995	02/27/2006 02/26/2013		Common Stock	10,995
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.69	12/14/2010		M	14,000	02/25/2007 02/24/2014		Common Stock	14,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.8	12/14/2010		M	6,305	<u>(2)</u> 02/18/2019		Common Stock	6,305

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BARR WENDEL COVANCE INC. 210 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540			Executive Vice President & COO	

Signatures

/s/ Ross A. Hyams, Power of
Attorney

12/15/2010

__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).

- The securities reported were acquired on a periodic basis by the Trustee of the Covance 401(k) plan, a broad-based, tax-qualified employee benefit plan. The information was obtained from the Plan Administrator as of this date. The shares have been accumulated by
- (1) the Trustee over the employment of the reporting person and the number is based upon the market value of the reporting person's account divided by the then current market price.
 - (2) The option vests in three equal annual installments with the first installment vesting one year from grant date.

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