WOLTZ H O III Form 4

February 13, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIIN]

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

WOLTZ HOIII

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Middle)

1373 BOGGS DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2012				X Director X Officer (g below) Chairm		10% Owner Other (specify
		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
MOUNT All	RY, NC 27030						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		d (A) of (D) d and (A) or (D)	0) 5) Price	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)
Stock	02/10/2012		F	6,159	D	\$ 0	444,587	D	
Common Stock (2)							8,513	I	co-executor of Howard O. Woltz, Jr. Estate
Common Stock (2)							365,130	I	co-trustee of trusts established by Howard O. Woltz, Jr.

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Common Stock (2)	21,222	I	Custodial account for minor child
Common			
Stock	71,342	D	
(Restricted	/1,342	D	
Stock Units)			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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> 8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.

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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8 II S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.72					<u>(1)</u>	08/08/2021	Common Stock	30,928	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.43					<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2021	Common Stock	25,597	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.16					<u>(1)</u>	08/09/2020	Common Stock	33,708	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.39					<u>(1)</u>	02/09/2020	Common Stock	32,468	
	\$ 11.6					<u>(1)</u>	08/10/2019		23,962	

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)				Common Stock	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.55	<u>(1)</u>	02/10/2019	Common Stock	32,609
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.15	<u>(1)</u>	02/19/2018	Common Stock	28,791
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.69	<u>(1)</u>	08/19/2018	Common Stock	15,957
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.11	<u>(1)</u>	02/13/2017	Common Stock	14,395
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.27	<u>(1)</u>	08/13/2017	Common Stock	11,878
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.26	<u>(1)</u>	08/14/2016	Common Stock	6,369
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.64	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2016	Common Stock	9,144
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.12	<u>(1)</u>	03/04/2015	Common Stock	17,826
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.89	<u>(1)</u>	07/26/2015	Common Stock	11,532

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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WOLTZ H O III 1373 BOGGS DRIVE MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

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Chairman, President and CEO

Signatures

James F. Petelle for H. O. Woltz III

02/13/2012

**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) Options vest 1/3 annually beginning one year from grant date.
- In addition to the gifts on November 3 and November 30, 2011, this Form also reflects the beneficial interest H. O. Woltz III is deemed to hold in the estate of his father, Howard O. Woltz, Jr., and in three trusts established by his father, following the death of his father on January 2, 2011. Mr. Woltz III disclaims beneficial interest in the shares held in the estate and in trust, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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