

SCHNITZER SANDRA L  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 SCHNITZER SANDRA L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES INC [SCHN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 3200 NW YEON AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/08/2010

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

PORTLAND, OR 97210

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code |   | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|---|------------|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                | V | Amount  | (A) or (D) |   |  |   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 01/08/2010                           |  | C                   |   | 40,000  | A \$ 0     | 40,000  | I  | By Voting Trust <sup>(3)</sup>                        |
| Class A Common Stock            | 01/08/2010                           |  | Z                   | V | 40,000  | D \$ 0     | 0   | I  | By Voting Trust <sup>(3)</sup>                        |
| Class A Common Stock            | 01/08/2010                           |  | Z                   | V | 40,000  | A \$ 0     | 40,000  | I  | By Trust <sup>(3)</sup>                               |
| Class A Common                  | 01/08/2010                           |  | S                   |   | 20,000  | D \$ 55    | 20,000  | I  | By Trust <sup>(3)</sup>                               |

Stock

|                            |            |   |               |   |               |        |   |                 |
|----------------------------|------------|---|---------------|---|---------------|--------|---|-----------------|
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 01/08/2010 | S | 6,000<br>(4)  | D | \$<br>56.0119 | 14,000 | I | By Trust<br>(3) |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 01/08/2010 | S | 14,000<br>(4) | D | \$ 56.013     | 0      | I | By Trust<br>(3) |

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. P... Der... Sec... (Ins... |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                         | Amount or Number of Shares |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)                           | (D)                        |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock                 | (1)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (1)  | (1)   | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock    | 40,500                     |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock                 | (1)  | 01/08/2010                           |  | C                              | 40,000  | (1)  | (1)   | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock    | 40,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SCHNITZER SANDRA L<br>3200 NW YEON AVENUE<br>PORTLAND, OR 97210 |               |           | X       |       |

## Signatures

Richard C. Josephson,  
Attorney-In-Fact

01/11/2010

\_\_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) Class B Common Stock is immediately convertible on a one-for-one basis into Class A Common Stock and has no expiration date.
- (2) Shares are held by trust under Trust Agreement dated January 30, 1970 of which Sandra Schnitzer is the primary beneficiary.
- (3) Voting trust certificates or shares, as the case may be, are held by Sandra L. Schnitzer, Trustee, Sandra L. Schnitzer Revocable Trust dated 12/16/01 (the "Sandra Trust").
- (4) Shares were sold pursuant to a pre-established Rule 10b5-1 plan.

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