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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Elkins Bobb	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GARDNER DENVER INC [GDI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) GARDNER DENVER, INC., 1500 LIBERTY RIDGE DRIVE, SUITE 3000			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2012					Director 10% Owner Normal Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VP, Chief Information Officer				
WAND D	Filed(Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
WAYNE, PA 19087								Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative)	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, i any (Month/Day/Year)		n Date, if	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or				Owned Indirect (I) Owner				
Common Stock	02/23/2012			M	Amount 3,000	(D)	Price (1)	14,653	D			
Common Stock	02/23/2012			F	918	D	\$ 70.96	13,735	D			
Common Stock								2,269 (2)	I	401(K) & Excess 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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/23/2012		M	3,000	02/23/2012	02/23/2012	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Elkins Bobby D GARDNER DENVER, INC. 1500 LIBERTY RIDGE DRIVE, SUITE 3000 WAYNE, PA 19087

VP, Chief Information Officer

Signatures

/s/Brent A. Walters, Attorney-in-fact 02/27/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Each restricted stock unit was the economic equivalent of one share of the Company's common stock. On February 23, 2012, 3,000 of the reporting person's restricted stock units were settled for an equal number of shares of the Company's common stock.
- The reporting person acquired shares under the Company's Retirement Savings Plan, a 401(K) plan, and the related Supplemental Excess

 (2) Defined Contribution Plan. The information reported herein is based on a report dated February 23, 2012 from the Plan's recordkeeper,

 JPMorgan.

Remarks:

Brent A. Walters, Attorney-in-fact for Bobby D. Elkins, pursuant to Power of Attorney dated December 14, 2009 and filed with

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