

Lucchese Cynthia L
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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 *
 Lucchese Cynthia L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD

(Street)

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Hillenbrand, Inc. [HI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/18/2008

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)
 Senior Vice President & CFO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (D) Price		
Common Stock	12/18/2008		A		35,359 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0 35,359 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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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.89	12/18/2008		A	31,430	12/18/2009 ⁽²⁾ 12/18/2018 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lucchese Cynthia L ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD BATESVILLE, IN 47006			Senior Vice President & CFO	

Signatures

Carol A. Roell As Attorney-In-Fact for Cynthia L. Lucchese 12/22/2008

____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) Consists of invested shares of Restricted Stock subject to vesting conditions based on the Company's financial performance.

(2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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