Burkhart Richard R. Form 4 May 30, 2018

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ao Burkhart Ric	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HARDINGE INC [HDNG]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O HARDINGE INC., ONE HARDINGE DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2018					(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
ELMIRA, N	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Noi	n-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)) Executio any	ned n Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securiti n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	posed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	05/25/2018			M		2,660	A	(1)	19,875	D	
Common Stock	05/25/2018			D		19,875	D	\$ 18.5 (2)	0	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	05/25/2018	M	2,660	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,660	<u>(1</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Burkhart Richard R. C/O HARDINGE INC. ONE HARDINGE DRIVE ELMIRA, NY 14903	X						

Signatures

John R. Alexander, as Attorney-in-Fact, pursuant to a Power of Attorney dated July 11, 2016

05/30/2018

**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).
- Each stock unit is the economic equivalent of one (1) share of Hardinge Inc. common stock. Stock units become payable in common stock upon the reporting person's separation from service as a director. Each stock unit held by the reporting person was converted to one (1) share of Hardinge Inc. common stock pursuant to a certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of February 12, 2018, by and among Hardinge Holdings, LLC, Hardinge Merger Sub, Inc., and Hardinge Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Merger Agreement").
- (2) Shares disposed of for cash consideration pursuant to the Merger Agreement.

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