

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

Form 4

March 21, 2003

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

**FORM 4**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935  
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940**

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obligations may continue.  
*See Instruction 1(b).*

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| <b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b><br><br>Birck, Michael J<br><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <i>(Last) (First) (Middle)</i><br><br>Illinois Tool Works Inc.<br>3600 West Lake Avenue<br><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <i>(Street)</i><br><br>Glenview, IL 60025<br><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <i>(City) (State) (Zip)</i> | <b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b><br><br>Illinois Tool Works Inc. (ITW)<br><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/><br><br><b>4. Statement for Month/Day/Year</b><br><br>March 20, 2003<br><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/><br><br><b>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)</b><br><br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director</span> <span><input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Officer <i>(give title below)</i></span> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify below)</i></span> </div> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> | <b>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)</b><br><br><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/><br><br><b>5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)</b><br><br><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/><br><br><b>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b><br><br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person</span> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person</span> </div> |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* instruction 4(b)(v).

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**Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
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|              |           |  | Code V | Amount | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price |        |   |
|--------------|-----------|--|--------|--------|------------------|-------|--------|---|
| Common Stock | 3/20/2003 |  | A ***V | 218    | A                | 60.62 | 13,921 | D |

**Table II** Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |
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|                                               |                                                        |                                         |                                                       | Code V                            | (A) (D)                                                                                   |

Phantom Stock  
Units

| Table II | Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned<br>(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | Continued |
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| 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br><i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities<br><i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i> | 8. Price of Derivative Security<br><i>(Instr. 5)</i> | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> |
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### Explanation of Responses:

\*\*\* Deferred Stock Under the ITW Non-Officer Directors' Fee Conversion Plan

\*\*\*\* Represents Units of Phantom Stock Under the Phantom Stock Plan for Non-Officer Directors. Each Unit is equal in value to one share of Common Stock. The Units are not transferable and have no voting right. The number of Phantom Stock Units reported includes units granted prior to August 15, 1996, for which reporting is not required. Additional units are credited in an amount equivalent to cash dividends paid on the Common Stock.

Michael J. Birck by  
Stewart S. Hudnut  
Senior Vice President,  
General Counsel &  
Secretary  
Power of Attorney on File  
Attorney-in-Fact

March 21, 2003

**\*\*Signature of Reporting  
Person**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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