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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person* MCWILLIAMS D BRADLEY						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Babcock & Wilcox Co [BWC]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(Fi ALLANTY		(Middle)		05	/12/2	011		action (Mo		,	//Year)		Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	Other (specify elow)	
(Street) CHARLOTTE NC 28277 (City) (State) (Zip)					-	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line						
	<u> </u>			n-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curitie	es Acc	wired.	Disr	nosed o	f. or Ber	eficiall	v Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans				saction			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)			d (A) or	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Illy ollowing	6. Own Form: I (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct I ndirect E r. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 05/1				2/201	2/2011		М		3,780	3,780 A		17,2	17,246 ⁽¹⁾		D				
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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)	Date Execution D		4. Transa Code (I B)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		•	Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	ly [LO. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	05/12/2011			A ⁽²⁾		3,780		(3)	(05/12/2011	Common Stock	3,780	\$0	3,780		D		
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Includes shares of BWC common stock acquired in the pro-rata distribution of BWC common stock from McDermott International, Inc.
- 2. Grant of restricted stock units pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan of The Babcock & Wilcox Company. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of BWC common stock.
- 3. 100% of the RSUs vest immediately.

Remarks:

Angela P. Winter, attorney-in-

fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/16/2011

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).
- ** 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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