### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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					UI 50		) or the h	ivestille	III C0	ilipally Act of	1940							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  FEES JOHN A					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) 13024 B SUITE 7	(Middle) ΓΕ PLACE	(	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/09/2010								Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)							
(Street) CHARLOTTE NC 28277			28277	'	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line)	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)																		
		Ta	ble I - Non-D	erivat	ive S	Securiti	es Acc	uired	, Dis	posed of,	or Ben	eficially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/		Execution		Date, Transac Code (Ir					Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 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				08/09/2010		08/09/2010		M		146,421	A	\$0	189,349(1)			D		
Common Stock				08/09/2010		08/09/2010		M		1,047	A	\$0	190,396(1)		D			
Common Stock				08/09/2010		08/09/2010		F		53,447 D		\$23.76		136,949(1)		D		
Common Stock				08/09/2010		08/09/2010		F		1,047	D	\$23.76	135,9	135,902(1)		D		
Common Stock													8,914(2)			I	401k Plan	
			Table II - Der							osed of, c			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	action (Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		ate of Securities		es g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$10.58	08/02/2010		A <sup>(3)</sup>	v	98,572		(4)		03/05/2016	Common Stock	98,572	\$10.58	98,57	72	D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010		A <sup>(5)</sup>	V	69,464		(6)		08/09/2010	Common Stock	69,464	\$0	69,464		D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010		A <sup>(7)</sup>	V	60,302		(6)		08/09/2010	Common Stock	60,302	\$0	60,302		D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010		A <sup>(7)</sup>	v	16,655		(6)	)	08/09/2010	Common Stock	16,655	\$0	16,65	55	D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010		A <sup>(7)</sup>	v	72,270		(8)	)	10/01/2011	Common Stock	72,270	\$0	72,27	70	D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010	08/09/2010	M			69,464	(6)	)	08/09/2010	Common Stock	69,464	\$0	0		D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010	08/09/2010	М			60,302	(6)	)	08/09/2010	Common Stock	60,302	\$0	0		D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010	08/09/2010	М			16,655	(6)	)	08/09/2010	Common Stock	16,655	\$0	0		D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	08/09/2010	08/09/2010	M			1,047	(8)	)	10/01/2011	Common Stock	1,047	\$0	71,22	!3	D		

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Includes shares of BWC common stock acquired in the pre-rata distribution of BWC common stock from McDermott International, Inc. ("MII") (the "Spin-off").
- 2. Based on number of units held in the BWC Thrift Plan and the fair market value of BWC common stock as of August 9, 2010.
- 3. Grant of stock options received in connection with the Spin-off and converted from MII stock options held by the Reporting Person as of the Spin-off.

4. 100% of the stock options vested on August 2, 2010 pursuant to the Restructuring Transaction Retention Agreement with Reporting Person.

5. Grant of restricted stock units received in connection with the Spin-off and converted from MII restricted stock units held by the Reporting Person as of the Spin-off. RSUs represent the right to receive one share of BWC common stock for each unit that vests.

 $6.\,100\%\ of\ RSUs\ vested\ on\ August\ 9,\ 2010\ pursuant\ to\ the\ Restructuring\ Transaction\ Retention\ Agreement\ with\ Reporting\ Person.$ 

7. Grant of restricted stock units received in connection with the Spin-off and converted from MII performance shares held by the Reporting Person as of the Spin-off. RSU represent the right to receive one share of BWC common stock for each unit that vests.

8. 100% of RSUs vested on August 9, 2010 pursuant to the Restructuring Transaction Retention Agreement with Reporting Person; however, RSUs will not settle in BWC common stock until October 1, 2011.

#### Remarks:

Angela P. Winter

08/11/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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