FORM 3

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

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Colatrella Antho:	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 11/14/2011			3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Babcock & Wilcox Co [ BWC ]									
	4 BALLANTYNE CORPORATE PLACE					Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director			10% Owner	Ę	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
SUITE 700					X Officer (give title below)		elow)	Other (specify b	elow)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street)	•					SVP & CFO				X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
CHARLOTTE	NC	28277											
(City)	(State)	(Zip)											
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned													
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
No securities beneficially owned						0		D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)													
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)				2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Der (Instr. 4)			vative Security	Exercise Price of Derivative		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
				Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title			Amount or Number of Shares	Security			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Anthony S. Colatrella, by Angela P. Winter, attorney-in-fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

11/18/2011

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 5 (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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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Benjamin H. Bash, James D. Canafax, and Angela P. Winter and, signing sing:

(1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) a Form ID, included and perform and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of The Babcock & Wilcox Company (the Company), Forms 3, and and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, compication of the undersigned which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best in the undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or this Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 11th day of November, 2011.

Signature: /s/ ANTHONY S. COLATRELLA
Print Name: Anthony S. Colatrella