FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Salomone Mary P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Babcock & Wilcox Co [BWC]							ationship of k all applica Director	able)	g Person	10% Ow	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 13024 BALLANTYNE CORPORATE PLACE SUITE 700					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2011							X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) SVP and COO					
(Street) CHARLOTTE NC 28277 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Indi Line) X					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date					2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			or	5. Amoun Securities Beneficia	eneficially wned Following		Direct I ndirect I r. 4) (7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pr	rice	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			111501. 4)
Common Stock 03/0					4/2011		М		4,073 A			\$0	6,777		I)	
Common Stock 0				03/04/2011			F		1,321	D	\$	34.55	5,456		D		
Common Stock				03/05/2011			М		2,370	70 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	7,8	7,826)	
Common Stock				03/05/2011			F		769	769 D		34.55	7,0	7,057		D	
Common Stock													293(1)]		401k Plan
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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		c	ransaction ode (Instr.		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/I	on Dat			urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) (Instr. 5) 8. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti		e C s F llly C	LO. Dwnership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Date Exercisable

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Expiration Date

03/04/2013

03/04/2014

03/04/2018

08/12/2013

03/04/2018

03/05/2012

Title

Stock

Stock

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Stock

Stock

Common Stock

Common

Stock

Amount

Number

of Shares

4,073

5,565

17,586

4,929

15,576

2,370

\$<mark>0</mark>

\$0

\$0

\$0

\$0

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(Instr. 4)

8,148

5.565

17,586

4.929

15,576

2,371

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Explanation of Responses:

Restricted

Restricted

Stock Units

Stock Units

Stock Options

(right to

buy) Restricted

Stock Units

Stock Options (right to

Restricted

Stock

\$<mark>0</mark>

\$0

\$34.55

\$0

\$34.55

\$<mark>0</mark>

3. RSUs vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 4, 2011.

03/04/2011

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03/05/2011

4. 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.

2,370

- $5.\ RSUs$ vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 4, 2012.
- 6. Grant of stock options pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan of The Babcock & Wilcox Company.
- 7. Stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 4, 2012.
- 8. RSUs vest in three equal annual installments beginning August 12, 2011.
- 9. Stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning August 12, 2011.
- 10. RSUs vest in two equal annual installments beginning March 5, 2011.

1. Based on number of units held in the BWC Thrift Plan and the fair market value of BWC common stock as of March 4, 2011.

Code

 $M^{(2)}$

A⁽⁴⁾

A⁽⁶⁾

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A⁽⁶⁾

 $M^{(2)}$

(A)

5.565

17,586

4.929

15,576

(D)

4,073

2. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of BWC common stock.

Remarks:

Angela P. Winter

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

03/08/2011

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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