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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|--|--|------------|---|---|---------------|---|--|--|-------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>±</sup><br>WILLIAMS DENNIS K | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>ACTUANT CORP [ATU] |  |            |   |   |               | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>X Director 10% Owner  |  |  |                         |
| (Last) (First)<br>13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DI                             | A TT IT  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>01/15/2008                   |            |   |   |               | Officer (give title below)Ot  | her (specify belo  | ow)  |                         |
| (Street)<br>BUTLER, WI 53201  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                     |  |            |   |   |               | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br>_X_Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |                         |
| (City) (State)  | (Zip)  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |            |   |   |               |   |  |  |                         |
| Title of Security 2. Transaction<br>Date (Month/Day/Year                  |  | Execution Date, if any   | (Instr. 8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               | f (D)   | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially<br>Owned Following Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:                       | Beneficial              |
|   |  | (Month/Day/Year)   | Code       | v | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | (Instr. 3 and 4)   | Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |

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### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             |              |              |             |                |             |            |
|--|-------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|
| 1. Title of  | 2.          | 3. Transaction   | 3A. Deemed         | 4.         |             | 5. Num        | ber              | 6. Date Exerci | sable and                   | 7. Title and | Amount       | 8. Price of | 9. Number of   | 10.         | 11. Nature |
| Derivative   | Conversion  | Date             | Execution Date, if | Transact   | isaction of |               | Expiration Date  |                | of Underlying               |              | Derivative   | Derivative  | Ownership      | of Indirect |            |
| Security   | or Exercise | (Month/Day/Year) | any                | Code       |             |               | (Month/Day/Year) |                | Securities                  |              | Security     | Securities  | Form of        | Beneficial  |            |
| (Instr. 3)   | Price of    |                  | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) | )           | Securities    |                  |                | (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 5) |              | Beneficially | Derivative  | Ownership      |             |            |
|  | Derivative  |                  |                    |            |             | Acquired      |                  |                |                             | Owned        | Security:    | (Instr. 4)  |                |             |            |
|  | Security    |                  |                    |            |             | (A) or        |                  |                |                             | Following    | Direct (D)   |             |                |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            |             | Dispose       | ed               | d              |                             |              |              |             | <b>.</b>       | or Indirect |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            |             | of (D)        |                  |                |                             |              |              |             | Transaction(s) |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            |             | (Instr. 3, 4, |                  |                |                             |              | (Instr. 4)   | (Instr. 4)  |                |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            | and 5)      |               |                  |                |                             |              |              |             |                |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             |              | Amount       |             |                |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  | Date           | Expiration                  |              | or           |             |                |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  | Exercisable    | Date                        | Title        | Number       |             |                |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  | Exercisable    | Date                        |              | of           |             |                |             |            |
|  |             |                  |                    | Code       | V           | (A)           | (D)              |                |                             |              | Shares       |             |                |             |            |
| Director   |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             |              |              |             |                |             |            |
| Stock  |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             | Class A      |              |             |                |             |            |
|  |             | /                |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             | Class A      |              |             |                |             |            |
| Option   | \$ 27.98    | 01/15/2008       |                    | Α          |             | 8,000         |                  | 12/15/2008     | 01/15/2018                  | Common       | 8,000        | \$ 0        | 8,000          | D           |            |
| (right to  |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             | Stock        |              |             |                |             |            |
| buy) (1)   |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             |              |              |             |                |             |            |
| ouy)   |             |                  |                    |            |             |               |                  |                |                             |              |              |             |                |             |            |

# **Reporting Owners**

|   | Relationships |              |         |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| WILLIAMS DENNIS K<br>13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DRIVE<br>BUTLER, WI 53201 | Х             |              |         |       |  |  |  |

### **Signatures**

| /s/ Eric Orsic, as Attorney-in-Fact | 01/17/2008 |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Signature of Reporting Person       | Date       |
|                                     |            |

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- \* 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).

(1) Option granted under the Actuant Corporation Amended and Restated 2001 Outside Director's Stock Plan.

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