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

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Find of Type Responses)											
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>±</sup> WILLIAMS DENNIS K		2. Issuer Name and ACTUANT COR		radin	g Symbol		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_Director10% Owner				
(Last) (First) 13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DRI	T 7 T	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2009						Officer (give title below)Oth	ter (specify belo	w)	
(Street) BUTLER, WI 53007	4	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. 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)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1. Title of Security     2. Transaction       (Instr. 3)     Date       (Month/Day/Yet)		Execution Date, if any	(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Transaction(s)	Ownership of Indirec Form: Beneficial	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock								5,000	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	Date (Month/Day/Year)	· · · · ·	Code	tion )	5. Numbo of Deriva Securitie Acquired or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	er 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) (A) sed		7. Title and of Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 and	ıg	Derivative D Security S (Instr. 5) B C F R T	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Director Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 18.42	01/09/2009		A		15,000		12/09/2009	01/09/2019	Class A Common Stock	15,000	\$ 0	15,000	D	

# **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WILLIAMS DENNIS K 13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DRIVE BUTLER, WI 53007	Х							

## Signatures

/s/ Eric Orsic, as Attorney-in-Fact	01/13/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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 2009 Omnibus Incentive Plan.

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