FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Respons	es)										1				
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETERSON ROBERT A				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACTUANT CORP [ATU]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DRIVE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2009						Office	er (give title belo	ow)	Other (specify	below)		
(Street) BUTLER, WI 53007				4. If Ar	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 Acqu						ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of S (Instr. 3)	ecurity		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	any	emed on Date, i Day/Year	f Coo (Ins	Fransade str. 8)	etion	(A) or I	Disposed 5, 4 and 5	of (D)			6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						С	ode	V	Amoun	` /	Price				(Instr. 4)	
Class A (Common	Stock	03/23/2009				P		6,000	A	\$ 8.48	16,400			I	By IRA
Class A (Common	Stock	03/23/2009				P		3,000	A	\$ 8.57	3,000 (1)		I	By Trust for Benefit of Son
Class A (Common	Stock	03/23/2009				P		3,000	A	\$ 8.57	3,000 (1)		I	By Trust for Benefit of Daughter
Class A (Common	Stock										4,400			D	
Reminder:	Report on a	separate line fo	or each class of secur	rities ben	eficially o	wned	direct	ly or	indirectl	y.						
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			Table II -				-		-			•				
	Conversion	(Month/Day/	on 3A. Deemed Execution Da	4. Tr	ansaction	5. Num of Deriv	vative urities uired or cosed D) r. 3,	and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Un Sec		Title and count of derlying urities str. 3 and	Derivative Security (Instr. 5) d Derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)		Owner Form of Deriva Securi Direct or Indi	tive Ownersl (Instr. 4) (D) rect		
				(Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	e rcisable	Expiration Date	on Titl	Amount or Number of Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

PETERSON ROBERT A			
13000 WEST SILVER SPRING DRIVE	X		
BUTLER, WI 53007			

Signatures

/s/ Eric Orsic, as Attorney-in-Fact	03/25/2009
**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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust.

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