# FORM 4

# 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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	pe Responses	/													
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) N86 W12500 WESTBROOK CROSSING				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2012							give title below)		her (specify b	elow)	
(Street) MENOMONEE FALLS, WI 53051			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City		(State)	(Zip)		7	able I -	Non-Deri	vative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	ired, Dispose	ed of, or Be	neficially Ov	ned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye			2A. Deemed Execution Date, i any (Month/Day/Year		(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		d of (D) 5)		y Owned Following ransaction(s)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						Cod	e V	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price	or Indirec (I)			(Instr. 4)	
Class A (	Common S	tock									16,400				By IRA
Class A (	Common S	tock									3,000 (1)	0 (1)			By Trust for Benefit of Son
Class A (	Common S	tock									3,000 (1) I			By Trust for Benefit of Daughter	
Class A (	Common S	tock									7,643			)	
Reminder:	Report on a s	eparate line for ea	ach class of securitie	es beneficiall	ly owne	d direct	ly or indire	etly.							
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## **Reporting Owners**

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

PETERSON ROBERT A N86 W12500 WESTBROOK CROSSING MENOMONEE FALLS, WI 53051	X			
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### **Signatures**

/s/ Eric Orsic, as Attorney-in-Fact	03/13/2012
**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.
- (2) Pursuant to the Outside Director's Deferred Compensation Plan, the phantom stock units are settled in stock generally following the director's termination of service.
- (3) The phantom stock is converted 1 for 1 into shares of Class A Common Stock.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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