Santerre Jan M. Form 4 December 22, 2008

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Santerre Jan M.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

(First) (Middle) Hillenbrand, Inc. [HI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD

12/18/2008

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Vice President, Lean Business

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

A

18,888 12/18/2008 A (1)

\$0 18,888

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.89	12/18/2008		A	16,789	12/18/2009(2)	12/18/2018(2)	Common Stock	16

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Santerre Jan M.

ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD Vice President, Lean Business

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

Signatures

Carol A. Roell As Attorney-in-Fact for Jan M.

Santerre 12/22/2008

**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) Consists of unvested shares of Restricted Stock subject to vesting conditions based on the Company's financial performance.
- (2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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