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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ansell Jeffrey D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 STANLEY WORKS [SWK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1000 STANLEY DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/09/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 V.P., Pres. Consumer Tools

NEW BRITAIN, CT 06053

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 12/09/2008 | | A | V Amount 5,600 (2) (D) Price \$ 0 | 36,016 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/10/2008 | | D | 295 (3) (D) Price \$ 34 | 35,721 | D | |
| Common Stock (4) | | | | | 2,200.8514 | I | Through Computershare Under Espg |

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) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|--------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 33.345 | 12/09/2008 | | A | 25,000 | (1) | 12/09/2018 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Interest In Employer Stock Fund (401(k) Plan) (6) | (5) | | | | | (5) | (5) | Common Stock | 1,074 |
| Interest in Employer Stock Fund (Supplemental Plan) (7) | (5) | | | | | (5) | (5) | Common Stock | 984 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|--|
| Ansell Jeffrey D 1000 STANLEY DRIVE NEW BRITAIN, CT 06053 | Director 10% Owner Officer V.P., Pres. Consumer Tools |

Signatures

/s/ Bruce H. Beatt 12/11/2008

**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) The option will become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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- (2) Shares to be delivered on vesting of restricted stock units that vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) Shares withheld to cover taxes on vesting of restricted stock units
- (4) Aggregate number of shares held in ESPP as of the last day of the calendar month prior to the date of this report including shares acquired or disposed of on various dates since balance was last reported. Because interest in Plan is denominated in cash, fluctuation in share price since the balance was last reported may have resulted in either an increase or decrease in associated number of shares.
- (5) Exempt
- (6) Represents shares held for the reporting person under the Company's 401(k) Savings Plan as of the last day of the calendar month prior to the date of this report including shares acquired or disposed of on various dates since balance was last reported. Because interest in Plan is denominated in cash, fluctuation in share price since the balance was last reported may have resulted in either an increase or decrease in associated number of shares.
- (7) Represents shares held for the reporting person under the Company's Supplemental Plan as of the last day of the calendar month prior to the date of this report including shares acquired or disposed of on various dates since balance was last reported. Because interest in Plan is denominated in cash, fluctuation in share price since this balance was last reported may have resulted in either an increase or decrease in associated number of shares.

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