

Hardin John Wesley
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Hardin John Wesley

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1100 CASSATT ROAD, P.O. BOX 1764

(Street)

BERWYN, PA 19312-1177

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMETEK INC/ [AME]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/23/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/23/2012		F ⁽¹⁾	1,628 D \$ 48.36	39,680	D	
401k Plan					324	I	401k Plan
Common Stock/serp					8,044	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)	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
Stock Option	\$ 32.4					(2) 04/22/2015	Common Stock	14,568
Stock Option	\$ 21.8067					(3) 04/22/2016	Common Stock	22,320
Stock Option	\$ 29.38					(4) 04/28/2017	Common Stock	23,817
Stock Option	\$ 44.74					(5) 05/02/2018	Common Stock	17,310

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hardin John Wesley 1100 CASSATT ROAD P.O. BOX 1764 BERWYN, PA 19312-1177			PRES. - ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS	

Signatures

/s/Kathryn E. Sena, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Hardin
Date: 04/24/2012

__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) Represents withholding of shares to pay withholding taxes incurred in connection with cliff vesting of restricted stock issued on April 23, 2008.
- (2) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 23, 2009.
- (3) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on April 23, 2010.

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(4) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on April 29, 2011.

(5) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on May 3, 2012.

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