

FREELAND RICHARD J  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
FREELAND RICHARD J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7100 WEST JEFFERSON BLVD.

(Street)

FORT WAYNE, IN 46804

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STEEL DYNAMICS INC [STLD]

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

06/01/2012

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)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	06/01/2012		M		5,419 (1)	A	\$ 0 74,691 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. 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)
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	06/01/2012		M	5,419 (2)	06/01/2012 06/01/2012	Common Stock
Deferred Stock Units (3)	\$ 0	06/01/2012	06/01/2012	A	8,539	06/01/2013(4) 06/01/2013(4)	Common Stock (5)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREELAND RICHARD J 7100 WEST JEFFERSON BLVD. FORT WAYNE, IN 46804			X	

## Signatures

Richard J. Freeland  
Date: 06/05/2012  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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 shares of common stock acquired upon conversion of a like number of deferred stock units, at the end of reporting person's elective deferral period, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Totals shown include the originally issued DSUs plus the cumulative additional DSUs issued in respect of deemed dividend distributions on the DSUs following each dividend date.  
Pursuant to registrant's 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, in respect to the reporting person's continuing service as a non-employee director and as a portion of his annual retainer, the reporting person on June 1 was granted an exempt award of Deferred Stock Units ("DSUs"). The number of DSUs granted was determined by dividing \$90,000 by the closing price of registrant's common stock on the day preceding the grant date.
- (3) The reporting person, by prior election, chose to receive his common stock, when converted from DSUs, at the expiration of one year following the grant date.
- (4) Each whole DSU represents registrant's unsecured and unfunded obligation, upon the expiration of the reporting person's deferral period election, to convert and issue to the reporting person one share of registrant's common stock for each DSU. The DSUs are 100% vested on the grant date.

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