

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Hardin John Wesley

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1100 CASSATT ROAD, P.O. BOX 1764

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 PRES- AERO & HVY VEHICLE PROD

(Street)
 BERWYN, PA 19312-1177

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock/serp | 12/31/2011 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | 1,397 A \$ 42.044 | 8,044 | D | |
| 401k Plan | | | | | 323 | I | 401k Plan |
| Common Stock | | | | | 41,308 | 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 | \$ 16.8578 | | | | | (2) 04/26/2012 | Common Stock 4,804 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 22.1778 | | | | | (3) 04/25/2013 | Common Stock 9,148 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 24.2933 | | | | | (4) 04/23/2014 | Common Stock 11,122 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 32.4 | | | | | (5) 04/22/2015 | Common Stock 14,568 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 21.8067 | | | | | (6) 04/22/2016 | Common Stock 44,640 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 29.38 | | | | | (7) 04/28/2017 | Common Stock 31,755 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 44.74 | | | | | (8) 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- AERO & HVY VEHICLE PROD | |

Signatures

/s/ John W.
Hardin 12/20/2011

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Allocated pursuant to the AMETEK, Inc. Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan under which shares are automatically distributed on a one-for-one basis upon the participant's retirement.
- (2) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 27, 2006.
- (3) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 26, 2007.
- (4) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 24, 2008.
- (5) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 23, 2009.
- (6) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on April 23, 2010.
- (7) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on April 29, 2011.
- (8) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on May 3, 2012.

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