FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Mowry Christofer M				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Babcock & Wilcox Co [BWC]							ationship of Reporting k all applicable) Director		Suer		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 13024 BALLANTYNE CORPORATE PLACE SUITE 700				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2012							X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President - MNE				
(Street) CHARLOTTE NC 28277 (City) (State) (Zip)					endment, Date of C	Original	Filed	(Month/Day/Ye	6. Indition	1 '					
		Table I - Nor	n-Deriva	tive S	ecurities Acqu	uired,	Dis	posed of,	or Ben	eficially	Owned				
Date		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock			03/05/2	2012		M		6,975	A	\$0	23,727	D			
Common Stock			03/05/2	2012		F		2,263	D	\$26.59	21,464	D			
Common Stock			03/05/2	2012		M		4,017	A	\$0	25,481	D			

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

F

1,303

D

\$26.59

24,178

671(1)

D

401k

Plan

(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. Transa Code (8)		Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ration Date hth/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	03/05/2012		A ⁽²⁾		4,005		(3)	03/05/2012	Common Stock	4,005	\$0	4,005	D	
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$26.59	03/05/2012		A ⁽⁴⁾		10,353		(5)	03/05/2019	Common Stock	10,353	\$0	10,353	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	03/05/2012		M ⁽⁶⁾			6,975	(7)	03/05/2012	Common Stock	6,975	\$0	0	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0	03/05/2012		M ⁽⁶⁾			4,017	(8)	03/05/2012	Common Stock	4,017	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Common Stock

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- 1. Based on number of units held in the BWC Thrift Plan and the fair market value of BWC common stock as of March 5, 2012.
- 2. Grant of restricted stock units pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan of The Babcock & Wilcox Company. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of BWC common stock.
- 3. RSUs vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 5, 2013.
- 4. Grant of stock options pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan of The Babcock & Wilcox Company.
- 5. Stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 5, 2013.
- 6. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of BWC common stock.
- 7. 100% of the RSUs vest on March 5, 2012.
- 8. RSUs vest in two equal annual installments beginning March 5, 2011.

Remarks:

Angela P. Winter, attorney-in-

03/07/2012

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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