

Hillenbrand, Inc.  
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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 \*  
Zerkle John R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD

(Street)

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Hillenbrand, Inc. [HI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/31/2008

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)  
Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec

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)
Common Stock	03/31/2008		C	(A) or (D) V Amount Price 8,744 \$ (1) 22.305	12,755 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/31/2008		F	2,821 D \$ 22.305	9,934	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units (Deferred Stock Award) 12/5/07	(3)	03/31/2008		A <sup>(4)</sup>	4,401	12/06/2009 <sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	Common Stock	4,401
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.54	03/31/2008		A <sup>(4)</sup>	2,901	12/15/2005 <sup>(6)</sup>	12/15/2014	Common Stock	2,901
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	03/31/2008		A <sup>(4)</sup>	6,382	11/30/2006 <sup>(6)</sup>	11/30/2015	Common Stock	6,382
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.61	03/31/2008		A <sup>(4)</sup>	10,880	11/30/2007 <sup>(6)</sup>	11/30/2016	Common Stock	10,880
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.84	03/31/2008		A <sup>(4)</sup>	14,362	12/05/2008 <sup>(6)</sup>	12/05/2017	Common Stock	14,362

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
			Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec	

Zerkle John R  
ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD  
BATESVILLE, IN 47006

## Signatures

Carol A. Roell As Attorney-In-Fact for John R.  
Zerkle

04/02/2008

\*\*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) These shares were issued in replacement of Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc. ("Hill-Rom") Restricted Stock Units which had vested in conjunction with the spin off of Hillenbrand, Inc. from Hill-Rom.  

On March 31, 2008, Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc. (formerly Hillenbrand Industries, Inc.) distributed all of the shares of common stock of
- (2) Hillenbrand, Inc. (formerly Batesville Holdings, Inc.) to the shareholders of Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc. in a pro rata distribution. A portion of these shares of common stock represents shares received in this distribution.
- (3) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Securities is 1-for-1.  

In connection with the distribution described in note (2) above, the reporting person was granted restricted stock awards and stock options
- (4) in substitution of awards and options previously issued by Hill-Rom. Restricted Stock Units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights which accrue on dividend record dates.  

Restricted Stock Units vest 20% on 12/6/2009; 25% on 12/6/2010; 25% on 12/6/2011 and 30% on 12/6/2012. Stock units will
- (5) automatically be converted into shares of common stock in accordance with the respective vesting schedule unless a previous deferral election has been made. Stock units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights, which accrue on dividend record dates.
- (6) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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