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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **VALLS JUAN** Issuer Symbol ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC (Check all applicable) [ITW] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE 12/16/2010 **Executive Vice President** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting GLENVIEW, IL 60026 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	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	12/16/2010		M	15,000	A	\$ 35.12	15,000	D	
Common Stock	12/16/2010		S	15,000	D	\$ 50.925 (1)	0	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeric Secu Acqu or D (D)	rities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of
Employee Stock Option	\$ 40.75						12/12/2004	12/12/2013	Common Stock	18
Employee Stock Option	\$ 47.13						12/10/2005	12/10/2014	Common Stock	18
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.08						12/07/2006	02/01/2016	Common Stock	18
Employee Stock Option	\$ 51.6						02/09/2008(2)	02/09/2017	Common Stock	20
Employee Stock Option	\$ 48.51						02/08/2009(2)	02/08/2018	Common Stock	60
Employee Stock Option	\$ 35.12	12/16/2010		M		15,000	02/13/2010(2)	02/13/2019	Common Stock	60
Qualifying Restricted Stock Unit (3)	\$ 0						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	15
Employee Stock Option	\$ 43.64						02/12/2011(2)	02/12/2020	Common Stock	64
Performance Restricted Stock Unit (3)	\$ 0						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
VALLS JUAN 3600 WEST LAKE AVENUE GLENVIEW, IL 60026			Executive Vice President				

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Signatures

Juan Valls by James H. Wooten, Jr., Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, Attorney-In-Fact POA on file.

12/17/2010

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$50.81 to \$51.04. The price reported above reflects the weighted (1) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, Illinois Tool Works Inc. or a shareholder of Illinois Tool Works Inc. full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (2) Options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.
- (3) Each qualifying restricted stock unit (QRSU) and performance restricted stock unit (PRSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (4) Each QRSU and PRSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant if performance goals are met.

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