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FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

O Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
See Instruction 1(b).

Name and Address of Reporting Person*	2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	3.	I.R.S. Identification Reporting Person, if an entity		
Aldinger, William F		Illinois Tool Works Inc. (ITW)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)						
Illinois Tool Works Inc. 3600 West Lake Avenue (Street)		Statement for Month/Day/Year	5.	If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		
		March 20, 2003				
		Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
Glenview, IL 60025		X Director O 10% Owner		x	Form Filed by One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)		Officer (give title below)		o	Form Filed by More	
		Other (specify below)			than One Reporting Person	

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, <i>see</i> instruction 4(b)(v).

Fitle of 2. Transaction 2 Security Date Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)	A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4	of (D)	ed (A) or	S.Amount of Sec- urities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Trans- action(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershij (Instr. 4)
		Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock 3/20/2003		A ***V	233	A	60.62	6,900	D	
						100	I	***

	Table II Derivative Sec (e.g., puts, call		Disposed of, or Benefi as, convertible securiti			
Title of Derivative 2 Security (Instr. 3)	. Conversion or Exercise 3. Price of Derivative Security	Transaction 3. Date (Month/Day/Year)	A. Deemed Execution 4. Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction 5. Code (Instr. 8)		a) or Disposed of (D)
				Code V	(A)	(D)
Phantom Stock Units						
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Table II			ired, Disposed of, or Beneficiall ants, options, convertible securi		
6. Date Exercisable and 7. Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	S 10.Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11.Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Date Expiration Exercisable Date	Amount or Number of Title Shares				
			1,054	I	****
Explanation of Responses	:				
*** Deferred Stock Under	the ITW Non-Of	ficers Director	rs Fee Conversion Plan		
**** Shares held by my wi	fe as to which I	lisclaim benef	icial ownership		
	are not transferal		tom Stock Plan for Non-Officer lao voting rights. Additional Units		
	William F. Alc by Stewart S. F Senior Vice Pre General Coun- Secretary Power of Attorne	Iudnut sident, sel &			

March 21, 2003

Date

Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting

Person

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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