ABELL JOSEPH M

Form 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ABELL JOSEPH M			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC [TTI]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) 24955 INTER	(First) STATE 45 1	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/05/2011	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)		VOICIII	12, 00, 2011	Senior Vice President & CFO			
	(Silect)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

#### (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionr Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Code Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 12/05/2011 M 15,169 A 184,901 D Stock 9.2067 Common 12/05/2011 S 15,169 D \$ 9.55 D 169,732 Stock Common 12/06/2011 4,662 174,394 D M 9.2067 Stock Common 12/06/2011 S 9.5502 4,662 D 169,732 D Stock (1) Common by 401(k) 14,533 Ι Stock Plan

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.2067	12/05/2011		M		15,169	12/28/2004	12/28/2011	Common Stock	15,169
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.2067	12/06/2011		M		4,662	12/28/2004	12/28/2011	Common Stock	4,662

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ABELL JOSEPH M

24955 INTERSTATE 45 NORTH Senior Vice President & CFO

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

## **Signatures**

Eileen M. Price, AIF for Joseph M.

Abell 12/07/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$9.55 to \$9.56, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to TETRA Technologies, Inc., any security holder of TETRA Technologies, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

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