

STEEL DYNAMICS INC  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
**RUFFOLO JOSEPH D**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

800 STANDARD FEDERAL  
PLAZA BUILDING, 200 EAST  
MAIN STREET

(Street)

FORT WAYNE, IN 46802

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**STEEL DYNAMICS INC [STLD]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/13/2008

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)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/13/2008		M <sup>(1)</sup>	4,704 <sup>(2)</sup>	A 3.19 <sup>(2)</sup>	16,662	D
Common Stock						12,000	I Reporting Person's retirement trust
Common Stock						4,000	I By spouse

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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)
Non-Employee Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.19 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/13/2008		M <sup>(3)</sup>	4,704 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/21/2003 05/21/2008	Common Stock 4,

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUFFOLO JOSEPH D 800 STANDARD FEDERAL PLAZA BUILDING 200 EAST MAIN STREET FORT WAYNE, IN 46802	X			

## Signatures

Joseph D. Ruffolo 05/15/2008

\_\_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) Acquisition of stock pursuant to exercise of option, granted pursuant to Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan approved by stockholders, exempt under Rule 16b-6(b).
- (2) Number of shares shown and exercise price reflect adjustments due to 2:1 stock split effective 11/21/2006 and adjustments due to an additional 2:1 stock split effective March 19, 2008.

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(3) Exercise of stock option exempt under Rule 16b-3(e).

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