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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Zerkle John R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Hillenbrand, Inc. [HI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD			03/31/2008	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
BATESVILLE	, IN 47006		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, 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. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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	8,744 (1)	A	\$ 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Restricted Stock Units (Deferred Stock Award) 12/5/07	(3)	03/31/2008		A(4)	4,401	12/06/2009(5)	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	4,40
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.54	03/31/2008		A(4)	2,901	12/15/2005(6)	12/15/2014	Common Stock	2,90
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	03/31/2008		A(4)	6,382	11/30/2006(6)	11/30/2015	Common Stock	6,38
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.61	03/31/2008		A(4)	10,880	11/30/2007(6)	11/30/2016	Common Stock	10,8
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.84	03/31/2008		A(4)	14,362	12/05/2008(6)	12/05/2017	Common Stock	14,3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec

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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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