ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

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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 * Schlitz Lei Zhang			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC [ITW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 155 HARLEM	(First) 1 AVE.	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2016	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President			
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		, &	 Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 			
GLENVIEW, IL 60025				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non-	-Derivativ	e Seci	urities Ac	quired, Disposed	d of, or Benef	icially 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)	, , ,			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. 1)	
Common Stock	02/15/2016		M	2,108	A	\$ 0 (1)	2,184	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2016		F	692	D	\$ 91.88	1,492	D	
Common Stock							3,954	I	SEE FOOTNOTE

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)	5. Number orDerivative Securities Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ve s l (A) or l of (D)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	tion Date	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Unit (granted 2/15/2013)	\$ 0	02/15/2016		M		2,108	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 55.81						02/11/2012	02/11/2021	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 55.71						02/10/2013	02/10/2022	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 43.64						02/12/2011	02/12/2020	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 63.25						02/15/2014(4)	02/15/2023	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 98.26						02/13/2016(4)	02/13/2025	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 78.59						02/14/2015(4)	02/14/2024	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit (granted 02/13/15) (1)	\$ 0						<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit (granted 02/14/2014)	\$ 0						<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 91.88	02/12/2016		A	13,736		02/12/2017(4)	02/12/2026	Common Stock
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	02/12/2016		A	2,993		<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock

(granted 2/12/2016) (6)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schlitz Lei Zhang 155 HARLEM AVE. GLENVIEW, IL 60025

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Lei Zhang Schlitz, by Janet O. Love, Deputy General Counsel & Assistant Secretary, Attorney-In-Fact on File

02/17/2016

**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) Each restricted stock unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (2) Shares of common stock allocated to my account in the Illinois Tool Works Inc. Savings & Investment Plan--Information reported as of February 15, 2016.
- (3) The RSU award became vested and payable on February 15, 2016.
- (4) Options vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning one year from date of grant.
- (5) Each RSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant.
- (6) Each performance restricted stock unit (PRSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (7) Each PRSU vests 100% three years from date of grant if performance goals are met.

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