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Washington, D.C. 20549

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* | | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary) | | |
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| Smith, Harold B. | | Illinois Tool Works Inc. (ITW) | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | | | |
| Illinois Tool Works Inc. 3600 West Lake Avenue | | Statement for Month/Day/Year | | If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) | | |
| (Street) | _ | April 12, 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) | | 0 | 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. |
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| * | If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, <i>see</i> instruction 4(b)(v). |

| Title of 2. Security (Instr. 3) | Transaction 2 Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction 4 Code (Instr. 8) | J. Securities Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 | of (D) | | 5.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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|------------------|---------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 538,626 | I | (1) |
| Common Stock | 4/21/03 | | S | 50,000 | D | 63.3376 | 8,895,424 | I | (2) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 336,040 | I | (3) |
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| Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-----|------------------------|
| Title of Derivative 2. Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise 3. Price of Derivative Security | Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution 4. Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction 5. Code (Instr. 8) | | (A) or Disposed of (D) |
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| | red, Disposed of, or Beneficially nts, options, convertible securiti | | |
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| 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount Original Security Security (Instr. 5) 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | O. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10.Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11.Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Amount or Date Expiration Number of Exercisable Date Title Shares | | | |
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| Explanation of Responses: | | | |
| (1) Shares held in a Revocable Trust created by me; | | | |
| (2) Shares held in a Trust of which I am a Co-Trustee and h | nave a direct beneficial interest; | | |
| (3) Shares held in a Trust of which I am a Co-Trustee and h | nave a contingent beneficial intere | st. | |
| Harold B. Smith, by Stewart S. Hudnut, Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary Power of Attorney on File | 4/21/03 | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person Attorney-in-Fact Power of Attorney on File | Date | | |

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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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