

PAULSON THOMAS  
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**FORM 4**

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

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PAULSON THOMAS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TENNANT COMPANY, 701 N. LILAC DRIVE

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55422

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TENNANT CO [TNC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/22/2013

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)  
Vice President, CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2013                           |  | A                              |   | 1,944<br>(1)  | A  | \$ 0 14,546 D                     |
| Common Stock                    | 02/26/2013                           |  | F                              |   | 910   | D  | \$ 45.73 13,636 D                 |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | I  | 1,788.3671 ESOP & Profit Sharing  |

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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 47.03   | 02/22/2013                           |  | A                              | 9,297   | (2) 02/22/2023   | Common Stock  | 9,297                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                     |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer             | Other |
| PAULSON THOMAS<br>TENNANT COMPANY<br>701 N. LILAC DRIVE<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55422 |               |           | Vice President, CFO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Amy M. Jensen on behalf of Thomas Paulson

02/26/2013

\*\*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) Restricted stock grant made pursuant to the 2013 Long-Term Incentive Plan vesting on February 22, 2016.

(2) Options exercisable in one-third increments on each of February 22, 2014, February 22, 2015 and February 22, 2016.

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