

POWELL THOMAS W  
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 \*  
POWELL THOMAS W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
POWELL INDUSTRIES INC  
[POWL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
PO BOX 12818  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/18/2007

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President, CEO

HOUSTON, TX 77217

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	12/18/2007		M	V	42,500	A	\$ 17.85	624,000	D	
Common Stock	12/18/2007		S		42,500	D	\$ 43.22	581,500	D	
Common Stock								1,909,292	I	Held as TWP Holdings
Common Stock								267,360	I	Held as TWP Trust
								78,720	I	

Common Stock							Held in IRA
Common Stock				818		I	Held in 401K

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. Deemed Securities (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 17.85	12/18/2007		S	43.22	<u>(1)</u> 04/29/2008	Common Stock	42,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
POWELL THOMAS W PO BOX 12818 HOUSTON, TX 77217	X	X	President, CEO	

## Signatures

Don R. Madison, Power of Attorney for Thomas W. Powell 12/19/2007

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 Stock Options become exercisable in equal installments on each of the first five anniversaries of 4/30/2001, the date of the Grant.  
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