

GARDNER DENVER INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
THOMPSON RICHARD L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

GARDNER DENVER, INC., 1500
 LIBERTY RIDGE DRIVE, SUITE
 3000

(Street)

WAYNE, PA 19087

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GARDNER DENVER INC [GDI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/12/2012

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/12/2012		M	3,600 A \$ 38.32	3,600	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2012		S	1,999 D \$ 69.108 (1)	1,601	D	
Common Stock					69,365 (2)	I	R&B Thompson 2005 Family Trust

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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)

Table with 7 main columns: 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). Includes a row for Nonemployee Director Stock Option (Right-to-buy) with price \$38.32, date 03/12/2012, code M, 3,600 shares, and expiration date 05/02/2012.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Includes entry for THOMPSON RICHARD L, GARDNER DENVER, INC., 1500 LIBERTY RIDGE DRIVE, SUITE 3000, WAYNE, PA 19087, with an 'X' in the Director relationship column.

Signatures

/s/ Brent A. Walters, Attorney-in-fact, 03/14/2012

**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) This price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$69.09 to \$69.14, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Gardner Denver, Inc., any security holder of Gardner Denver, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote (1) to this Form 4.

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- (2) Shares held indirectly in the R&B Thompson 2005 Family Trust. Mr. Thompson and his wife, Barbara, serve as trustees.
- (3) Options granted under the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended, a Rule 16b-3 plan.
- (4) Options vested in one installment on May 2, 2008.

Remarks:

Brent A. Walters, Attorney-in-fact for Richard L. Thompson, pursuant to Power of Attorney dated November 12, 2009 and filed

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