

BATES JOHN C  
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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 \*  
BATES JOHN C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STEEL DYNAMICS INC [STLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
640 LAVOY ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2006

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

ERIE, MI 48133  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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                    | 01/27/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 800   | D  | \$ 44.07  | 2,017,815 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 1,840   | D  | \$ 44.08  | 2,015,975 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 100   | D  | \$ 44.1   | 2,015,875 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock                    | 01/27/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 3,268   | D  | \$ 44.13  | 2,012,607 | I | See footnote (1) |

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|--------------|------------|---|--------|---|----------|-----------|---|------------------|
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 540    | D | \$ 44.2  | 2,012,067 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 315    | D | \$ 44.21 | 2,011,752 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 40     | D | \$ 44.22 | 2,011,712 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 400    | D | \$ 44.27 | 2,011,312 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 780    | D | \$ 44.28 | 2,010,532 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 400    | D | \$ 44.29 | 2,010,132 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 12,814 | D | \$ 44.3  | 1,997,318 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 200    | D | \$ 44.33 | 1,997,118 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 500    | D | \$ 44.34 | 1,996,618 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 33     | D | \$ 44.35 | 1,996,585 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 12,500 | D | \$ 44.4  | 1,984,085 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 700    | D | \$ 44.41 | 1,983,385 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 400    | D | \$ 44.42 | 1,982,985 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 100    | D | \$ 44.43 | 1,982,885 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 100    | D | \$ 44.46 | 1,982,785 | I | See footnote     |

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|              |            |   |        |   |          |           |   | (1)              |
|--------------|------------|---|--------|---|----------|-----------|---|------------------|
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 400    | D | \$ 44.47 | 1,982,385 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 669    | D | \$ 44.48 | 1,981,716 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 16,681 | D | \$ 44.5  | 1,965,035 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 13,100 | D | \$ 44.52 | 1,951,935 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 300    | D | \$ 44.53 | 1,951,635 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 2,700  | D | \$ 44.55 | 1,948,935 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 300    | D | \$ 44.56 | 1,948,635 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 300    | D | \$ 44.57 | 1,948,335 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 200    | D | \$ 44.58 | 1,948,135 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 466    | D | \$ 44.59 | 1,947,669 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2006 | S | 3,400  | D | \$ 44.6  | 1,944,269 | I | See footnote (1) |

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)

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| 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BATES JOHN C<br>640 LAVOY ROAD<br>ERIE, MI 48133 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

John C. Bates                      01/31/2006  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) Through control of Heidtman Steel Products, Inc., which holds these shares

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