

Hardin John Wesley
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Hardin John Wesley

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMETEK INC/ [AME]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1100 CASSATT ROAD, P.O. BOX 1764

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
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(Street)
 BERWYN, PA 19312-1177

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock/serp	12/31/2011		J ⁽¹⁾	1,397 A \$ 42.044	8,044	D	
401k Plan					323	I	401k Plan
Common Stock					41,308	D	

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
Stock Option	\$ 16.8578					(2) 04/26/2012	Common Stock 4,804	
Stock Option	\$ 22.1778					(3) 04/25/2013	Common Stock 9,148	
Stock Option	\$ 24.2933					(4) 04/23/2014	Common Stock 11,122	
Stock Option	\$ 32.4					(5) 04/22/2015	Common Stock 14,568	
Stock Option	\$ 21.8067					(6) 04/22/2016	Common Stock 44,640	
Stock Option	\$ 29.38					(7) 04/28/2017	Common Stock 31,755	
Stock Option	\$ 44.74					(8) 05/02/2018	Common Stock 17,310	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
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Signatures

/s/ John W.
Hardin 12/20/2011

**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) Allocated pursuant to the AMETEK, Inc. Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan under which shares are automatically distributed on a one-for-one basis upon the participant's retirement.
- (2) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 27, 2006.
- (3) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 26, 2007.
- (4) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 24, 2008.
- (5) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on April 23, 2009.
- (6) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on April 23, 2010.
- (7) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on April 29, 2011.
- (8) The stock options will become exercisable in four equal installments beginning on May 3, 2012.

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