STAPLES CATHY O

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STAPLES CATHY O

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

BELDEN INC. [BDC]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

7733 FORSYTH BOULEVARD,

(Street)

02/24/2009

(Month/Day/Year)

below) SVP, Human Resources

(Check all applicable)

SUITE 800

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (T) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amoun Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securit Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

(A) (D) Date Expiration Title

Exercisable Date

Title

Amo

or Num of Sh

Stock

Appreciation \$11.92 02/24/2009 A 15,500 02/24/2010 02/24/2019 Common Stock 15,500

Code V

Rights (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STAPLES CATHY O 7733 FORSYTH BOULEVARD, SUITE 800 ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

SVP, Human Resources

Signatures

/s/ Cathy O. Staples 02/26/2009

**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).

The Stock Appreciation Rights (SARs) were issued at the closing price of the Company's stock on February 24, 2009 (\$11.92). They will vest in equal amounts over three years and will expire ten years after the grant date. Upon exercise, the holder will receive in Belden stock the excess of fair market value per share at the time of exercise over the exercise price, times the number of SARs being exercised. Additional terms apply in the event of the holder's termination, death or retirement.

The SARs were approved by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors on February 24, 2009, subject to
(2) stockholder approval of a share reserve increase for the Company's 2001 Long-Term Incentive Plan at the 2009 Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

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