

SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL 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 \*  
 ARNOLD CLAIRE L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT  
 INTERNAT'L, INC., 100 NORTH  
 POINT CENTER EAST, STE 600

(Street)

ALPHARETTA, GA 30022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT  
 INTERNATIONAL INC [SWM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/23/2012

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| SWM<br>Common<br>Stock          |                                      |  |                                | (A)<br>or<br>(D)  | 4,210   | 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 | 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Phantom Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>         | \$ 0   | 02/23/2012                           |  | A                   | 307.5159  | 08/08/1988 <sup>(2)</sup> 08/08/1988                     | SWM Common Stock 307  |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ARNOLD CLAIRE L  
C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNAT'L, INC.  
100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST, STE 600  
ALPHARETTA, GA 30022

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## Signatures

Honor Winks as attorney-in-fact for Claire L. Arnold

02/27/2012

        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) Director's quarterly cash retainer deferred pursuant to the Director's election in accordance with the Schweitzer-Mauduit International, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan No. 2 for Non-Employee Directors as amended on 2/23/2012.

Stock Units can be converted to cash or SWM common stock upon the earlier of retirement from the Board or termination as a Director in accordance with the Plan. Conversion into shares or cash is based on the fair market value of SWM common stock on the date of conversion.

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