

TEMPUR PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Clift Matthew

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 TEMPUR PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC [TPX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O TEMPUR-PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC., 1713 JAGGIE FOX WAY  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/21/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP, Global Operations

LEXINGTON, KY 40511  
 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)				
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/21/2010		M		75,000	A (1)		\$ 19.3	98,834	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2010		S		75,000	D (1)		\$ 40.01	23,834	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.	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)				
Stock Option	\$ 19.3	12/21/2010		M	75,000	(2)	12/01/2014	Common Stock	75,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Clift Matthew C/O TEMPUR-PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC. 1713 JAGGIE FOX WAY LEXINGTON, KY 40511			EVP, Global Operations	

## Signatures

/s/ Matthew D.  
Clift 12/23/2010

\*\*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) The shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 1, 2010 in order to cause the applicable sales to fall within the scope of Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Rule 10b5-1 trading plan contains specific instructions to sell shares pursuant to the exercise of options if the price of the Issuer's common stock exceeds a pre-determined price per share.

(2) Twenty-five percent of the total aggregate number of options granted became exercisable on December 1, 2005. The remaining options became fully vested pursuant to a stock sale restriction agreement dated December 15, 2005 between the reporting person and the issuer. The agreement restricts the reporting person's sale of common stock purchased pursuant to this option, which restriction lapses in twelve successive equal quarterly installments, which began on March 1, 2006. All restrictions lapsed by December 1, 2008.

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