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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Zerkle John R

(First)

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Hillenbrand, Inc. [HI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD

06/30/2008

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

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below) Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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(Instr. 4)

Person

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

Issuer

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. TransactionNumber Code of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. P. **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative (Ins Derivative Securities Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title Amount Date or Number of Shares Restricted Stock Units Common $A^{(2)}$ (Deferred 06/30/2008 37 12/06/2009⁽³⁾ 37 (1) Stock Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Zerkle John R

Award) 12/5/07

ONE BATESVILLE BOULEVARD Senior V.P. Gen. Counsel & Sec

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

Signatures

Carol A. Roell As Attorney-In-Fact for John R. Zerkle 07/02/2008

**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) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Securities is 1-for-1.
- (2) Restricted Stock Units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights which accrue on dividend record dates.

Restricted Stock Units vest 20% on 12/6/2009; 25% on 12/6/2010; 25% on 12/6/2011 and 30% on 12/6/2012. Stock units will

(3) automatically be converted into shares of common stock in accordance with the respective vesting schedule unless a previous deferral election has been made. Stock units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights, which accrue on dividend record dates.

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