

FORM 4

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public
Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH ALBERT E <small>(Last) (First) (Middle)</small> C/O CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION, 4 BECKER FARM ROAD, 3RD FLOOR <small>(Street)</small> ROSELAND, NJ 07068 <small>(City) (State) (Zip)</small>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CURTISS WRIGHT CORP [CW] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <p align="center">1/8/2009</p>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)				
Common Stock	1/8/2009		A (1)		169	A	\$33.39 (2)	3706.269	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2008 (3)		J (4)	V	18,546	A	\$38.89 (5)	3724.815	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Shares were acquired pursuant to the Corporation's 2005 Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors, whereby non-employee directors may elect to receive their annual retainer and meeting fees in the form of stock.
- (2) Price is based on the closing market price for the securities on the New York Stock Exchange as of December 31, 2008, the date on which the Director was entitled to payment of one quarter of his annual retainer.
- (3) Date of last dividend reinvestment purchase during 2008. This report also reports nominal purchases on April 18, 2008, July 18, 2008, and October 24, 2008.
- (4) Exempt acquisition through dividend reinvestment plan.
- (5) Price reflects the weighted average price of the 18,546 shares purchased in 2008 through a dividend reinvestment plan.

Reporting Owners

	Relationships
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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH ALBERT E C/O CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION 4 BECKER FARM ROAD, 3RD FLOOR ROSELAND, NJ 07068	X			

Signatures

Paul J. Ferdenzi by Power of Attorney for Albert E. Smith

1/12/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* 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).

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