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

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable)				
BENANTE MARTIN R	CURTISS WRIGHT CORP [ CW ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	X Director 10% Owner				
C/O CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION, 10 WATERVIEW BOULEVARD	5/19/2009	XOfficer (give title below)Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer				
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054 (City) (State) (Zip)		<b>X</b> _Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				

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

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1.Title of Security	2. Trans.	2A.	3. Trans. 4. Securities Acquired		Acquired	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6.	7. Nature		
(Instr. 3)	Date	Deemed	Code	Code (A) or Disposed of (D)		ed of (D)	Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership	of Indirect	
		Execution	(Instr. 8	(Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		d 5)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Form:	Beneficial	
		Date, if						•	Direct (D)	Ownership
		any				(A)			or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
						or			(I) (Instr.	
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price		4)	
Common Stock	5/19/2009		A <sup>(1)</sup>		33123		\$28 77 (2)	83438.228	D	
Common Stock			A (1)		55125	A	\$28.77 <sup>(2)</sup>	03430.220	D	
	5/20/2009		- (2)		1 (0 (1	-	\$20.20 (4)	((555 220	n	
Common Stock			S <sup>(3)</sup>		16861	ען	\$29.20 (4)	66577.228	D	

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

1. Title of Derivate Security	2. Conversion	3. Trans.		4. Tran Code				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date				8. Price of Derivative		10. Ownership	11. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date	Execution Date, if any	(Instr. 8	8)	Dispose	es d (A) or d of (D) , 4 and 5)	L.	Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		e Security deri nd 4) (Instr. 5) Secu Ben Own	(Instr. 5) Securities Beneficially Owned	Securities Beneficially Owned	ative ities ficially for the security: bd birect (D)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		0	,	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$28.80 <sup>(5)</sup>							11/17/2009	11/17/2018	Common Stock	352113		352113	D	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) These shares were acquired through a performance share grant under the Company's 2005 Long Term Incentive Plan, whereby the executive received a predetermined number of shares of Curtiss-Wright Common Stock based on the Company's aggregated three year performance to its budget and its aggregated three year performance against the performance of its peer group.
- (2) Based on the May 19th, 2009 closing price on the New York Stock Exchange for Curtiss-Wright Common Stock, the date on which the shares vested.
- (3) Shares were sold in compliance with the Company's share ownership guidelines whereby the executive may sell one half of the vested shares to pay individual income tax obligations associated with the vesting of the award.
- (4) Weighted average selling price of shares sold on May 20, 2009.
- (5) Average exercise price for previously issued stock option grants.

#### **Reporting Owners**

Penerting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BENANTE MARTIN R								
C/O CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION								
	X		Chief Executive Officer					
10 WATERVIEW BOULEVARD								
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054								

## Signatures

Paul J. Ferdenzi by Power of Attorney for Martin R. Benante	5/21/2009
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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Date

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