

JOHNSTON MICHAEL F
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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 *
 JOHNSTON MICHAEL F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2080 PRAIRIE DUNES COURT
 SOUTH

(Street)

ANN ARBOR, MI 48108

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/ [WHR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/21/2009

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
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount | | |
| | | | | Code | V | | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|---|------|---|-------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--------|--|
| Stock Options | \$ 36.15 | 04/21/2009 | A ⁽¹⁾ | | | 2,845 | | 10/21/2009 | 04/21/2019 | Common | 2,845 |
| Deferred Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | 04/21/2009 | A ⁽¹⁾ | | | 1,479 | | <u>(2)</u> | <u>(2)</u> | Common | 1,479 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| JOHNSTON MICHAEL F 2080 PRAIRIE DUNES COURT SOUTH ANN ARBOR, MI 48108 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Daniel F. Hopp,
Attorney-in-Fact

04/23/2009

**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) Award pursuant to the Nonemployee Director Equity Plan.

(2) Deferral of stock award to the Deferred Compensation Plan II for Nonemployee Directors. Shares are payable in common stock of the company on a one-for-one basis following the reporting person's departure from the board.

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