

Walters Brent A.  
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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 \*  
Walters Brent A.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

GARDNER DENVER, INC., 1500  
LIBERTY RIDGE DRIVE, SUITE  
3000

(Street)

WAYNE, PA 19087

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GARDNER DENVER INC [GDI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/20/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP, GC, CCO & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ 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. 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right-to-buy)	\$ 71.28	02/20/2012	A			5,440		<u>(1)</u>	02/20/2019	Common Stock	5,440
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	02/20/2012	A			2,460		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	2,460

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Walters Brent A. GARDNER DENVER, INC. 1500 LIBERTY RIDGE DRIVE, SUITE 3000 WAYNE, PA 19087			VP, GC, CCO & Secretary	

## Signatures

/s/Brent A.  
Walters 02/22/2012

\_\_Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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 options, granted under the Company's Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan, are exercisable in cumulative increments of one-third each on February 20, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.
- (2) The restricted stock units granted under the Company's Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan cliff vest on February 20, 2015. Each restricted stock unit represents a right to receive one share of the Company's common stock upon vesting. The restricted stock units generally will be paid out on the earliest to occur of vesting, death, disability or change in control (each as defined in the award), but payment on account of termination of employment may be delayed until 6 months following termination if required for tax purposes.

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