ARZBAECHER ROBERT C

Form 4

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FORM 4

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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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ARZBAECHER ROBERT C | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACTUANT CORP [ATU] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|-------------|----------|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | X Director 10% Owner | | |
| 6100 NORTH BAKER ROAD | | DAD | 01/12/2006 | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | |
| | | | | President and CEO | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) | | |
| MILWAUKE | E, WI 53209 |) | | _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non- | Derivative Securities A | Acquired, Dispos | ed of, or Bene | eficially Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price | 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) |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 12,943 (1) | I | By 401(k) |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 1,950 | I | By IRA |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 30,000 | I | By Family Limited Partnership |
| Class A Common | | | | | 1,100 | I | By family (2) |

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| Class A Common Stock | 1,200 | I | By Spouse |
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| Class A Common Stock | 1,643 (3) | I | By Deferred Compensation Plan |
| Class A Common Stock | 289,070 | D | |

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 (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration D (Month/Day) | Expiration Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (4) | \$ 56.22 | 01/12/2006 | | A | 75,000 | <u>(5)</u> | 01/12/2016 | Class A Common Stock | 75,000 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ARZBAECHER ROBERT C | | | | | | | |
| 6100 NORTH BAKER ROAD | X | | President and CEO | | | | |
| MILWAUKEE, WI 53209 | | | | | | | |

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Signatures

Eric Orsic, as
Attorney-in-Fact
01/17/2006

**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) Best estimate of shares held pursuant to Actuant 401(k) Plan.
- (2) Owned by daughters.
- (3) Best estimate of shares held to Actuant Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (4) Option granted under the Actuant Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan.
- (5) Fifty percent of the option becomes exercisable on 1/12/2009 and the balance on 1/12/2011.

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