

SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL INC
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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 *
HERBST OTTO R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL INC [SWM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
President-Brazilian Operations

C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNAT'L, INC., 100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST, SUITE 600

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ALPHARETTA, GA 30022

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)

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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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.55	01/03/2005		A	5,250	01/03/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 01/02/2015	SWM Common Stock 5,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HERBST OTTO R C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNAT'L, INC. 100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST, SUITE 600 ALPHARETTA, GA 30022			President-Brazilian Operations	

Signatures

Honor Winks as Attorney-in-fact for Otto Herbst
 Signature: _____ Date: 01/05/2005

**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) Grant to reporting person of option to buy 5,250 shares of SWM common stock pursuant to SWM's Equity Participation Plan ("EPP"). The shares may be purchased in increments up to 30%, 30% and 40% on or after January 3, 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.
- (2) This transaction is an option grant.

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