

PENTAIR INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Meyer Michael G

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
5500 WAYZATA BLVD., SUITE 800  
(Street)

GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55416-1261

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PENTAIR INC [PNR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/20/2008

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)  
Vice President, Treasury/Tax

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/20/2008		M		638	A	\$ 18.1485	36,973	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2008		S		4,305	D	\$ 36.91 (1) (2)	32,668	D	
Common Stock	08/21/2008		G	V	240	D	\$ 0	32,428	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2008		G	V	40	D	\$ 0	32,388	D	
Common Stock -								167,212 (3)	D	

ESPP

Common Stock	1,914.834 <sup>(4)</sup>	I	As Custodian Under UTMA
Common Stock - ESOP	9,570.1825 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By ESOP

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. 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)	8. D	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.1485	08/20/2008		M	638	01/02/2003 01/02/2012	Common Stock	638	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Meyer Michael G 5500 WAYZATA BLVD. SUITE 800 GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55416-1261			Vice President, Treasury/Tax	

## Signatures

Louis L. Ainsworth,  
Attorney-In-Fact

08/22/2008

\_\_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) The reported price for this transaction is the weighted average price, and the range of prices is \$36.90 to \$36.96.
- (2) Upon request by the Commission, the company or a shareholder, the reporting person will provide full details of the information reported regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (5) End-of-period holdings include ESOP allocation and shares acquired under a dividend reinvestment plan in exempt transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16(a).
- (4) End-of-period holdings include shares acquired under a dividend reinvestment plan in exempt transaction not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16(a).
- End-of-period holdings include monthly purchase(s), since the reporting person's last filed Form, under the Pentair, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase and Bonus Plan (ESPP) in exempt transaction(s) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c); and shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the ESPP.
- (3) Purchase and Bonus Plan (ESPP) in exempt transaction(s) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c); and shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the ESPP.

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