WOLFORT DAVID A

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WOLFORT DAVID A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

OLYMPIC STEEL INC [ZEUS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

President and COO

C/O OLYMPIC STEEL, INC., 5096

(First)

(Zip)

03/13/2013

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

RICHMOND RD.

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146

(State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of | 8. Pı |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orDerivative | Expiration Date | Underlying Securities | Deri |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | Securities | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | Secu |

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | erivative or Disposed of | | | | (Inst | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------|--------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | 03/13/2013 | | I | 4,634 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 4,634 | 22. |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | 03/14/2013 | | I | 10,321 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 10,321 | 22. |
| Phantom Stock | <u>(1)</u> | 03/14/2013 | | I | 3,854 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 3,854 | 23. |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| WOLFORT DAVID A C/O OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. 5096 RICHMOND RD. BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146 | X | | President and COO | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Gretchen A. Sterling, as Attorney-in-Fact

03/14/2013

**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) Each share of Phantom Stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Olympic Steel, Inc. common stock.
- These shares of Phantom Stock were acquired in connection with Olympic Steel's Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan").
- (2) This security will be settled on October 15, 2020 (the date selected by the Reporting Person), or earlier upon the occurence of certain events specified in the Plan.
- Price reflects the weighted average price for multiple transactions that ranged from \$22.6000 to \$22.9500 per share. The Reporting (3) Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Commission Staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- Price reflects the weighted average price for multiple transactions that ranged from \$22.3150 to \$23.3100 per share. The Reporting (4) Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Commission Staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- (5) Price reflects the weighted average price for multiple transactions that ranged from \$23.3200 to \$23.5000 per share. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Commission Staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information

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regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.

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