FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HOTOPP THOMAS B						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO [ MSA ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner     Officer (give title Other (specify)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 CRANBERRY WOODS DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2013								below			below)	респу	
(Street) CRANBERRY WOODS PA 16066 TOWNSHIP				4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)																		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.		ties Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			insu. 4)
Common Stock, no par value 05/10/2						:013		A	V	1,037	A	\$0.00	36,107			D		
		Т	able II -									, or Ben ble secu		y Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- statutory Stock Option	\$49.92	05/10/2013			A		2,179		05/10/201	.6	05/10/2023	Common Stock, no par value	2,179	\$49.92	2,179		D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Douglas K. McClaine, Attorney in Fact

05/14/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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