FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LAMBERT WILLIAM M</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO [MSA]										all app Direc		g Person	10% C	wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 CRANBERRY WOODS DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2012										X Officer (give title below) Presider			Other (specify below)		
(Street) CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP PA (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Individine)	, ·				
		Tabl	e I - Noi	า-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Ben	efici	ally C	wne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Of Code (Instr. 5)			ies Acquired (A) Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Secu Bene		cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	. 11	Γransa	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(111501.4)
Common Stock, no par value 03/08/2					2012		F		6,860		D	\$37.65		123,238		D				
Common Stock, no par value															40,000		I		By Wife	
	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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Transac			ı of		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	•	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3	8. Pric Deriva Secur (Instr.	vative irity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(: (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	n: ct (D) direct	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code V		(A)	(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or	ount nber ires						

Explanation of Responses:

Douglas K. McClaine, Attorney in Fact

03/12/2012

** 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).
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