FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549
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STATEMENT	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BOVE KERRY M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO [ MSA ]									(Check all			g Person(s) to Is 10% C Other		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 CRANBERRY WOODS DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2012									X	belov			below)	
(Street) CRANBI TOWNS	HIP PA		Zin)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								i. Indivine)						
(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,					es Acquired (A) o Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			and 5) Secur Benef		cially d 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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(1130.4)
Common Stock, no par value 12/10/2					2012	1012			S		7,488		D	\$39.2	24 <sup>(1)</sup> 58,044		D			
	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. Deer Execution if any (Month/I	on Date, T		ransaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exercion Da /Day/Y	ear)	or		f g lnstr. 3	Deri Secu	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						ode V (A) (D)				Date Expirat			of Title Shares							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Share price on this transactioin ranged from \$39.181 to \$39.356.

Douglas K. McClaine, **Attorney** in Fact

12/10/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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