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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Giesige Charles R				Symbol COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORP [CMCO]				Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2012					Director 10% Owner Softier (give title Other (specify below)			
PARKWAY		DON	03/19/2	012				VP Corp	oorate Developn	nent	
AMHEDOT	(Street)			endment, Da nth/Day/Yea	_	ıl		 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filin Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Portion Form filed by More than One Ro 			
AMHERST								Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution any	emed ion Date, if /Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		d of (D)	Owned Indirect (I) Ov Following (Instr. 4) (Ir				
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock								9,060	D		
Common Stock	05/19/2012			F	37 (1)	D	\$ 13.43	9,023	D		
Common Stock	05/21/2012			A	4,722 (2)	A	\$ 0	13,745 (3)	D		
Common Stock								618.1748 (4)	D		

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Dat	. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.45					05/19/2009	05/18/2018	Common Stock	52	
Incentive Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.15					01/19/2010	07/31/2016	Common Stock	10,0	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.27					05/18/2010	05/17/2019	Common Stock	8,5	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.24					05/17/2011	05/16/2020	Common Stock	6,2	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.5					05/23/2012	05/22/2021	Common Stock	5,7	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.43	05/21/2012		A	9,470	(10)	05/20/2022	Common Stock	9,4	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Giesige Charles R 140 JOHN JAMES AUDUBON PARKWAY AMHERST, NY 14228			VP Corporate Development				

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Charles R. 05/22/2012 Giesige

**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) Represents shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligation upon vesting of 93 restricted stock units on 5/19/2012.
- Represents restricted stock units issued to reporting person under the Columbus McKinnon Corporation 2010 Long Term Incentive Plan dated as of July 26, 2010, subject to forfeiture in whole or part; units become fully vested and non-forfetable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/21/2013, if reporting person remains a director of issuer.
 - Includes 10,637 shares of restricted stock issued to reporting person subject to forfeiture in whole or part; 1,136 shares become fully vested and non-forfeitable 5/18/2013; 92 shares become fully vested and non-forfeitable 5/19/2013; 1,648 shares become fully vested
- (3) and non-forfeitable 50% per year for two years beginning 5/17/2013, 3,039 shares become fully vested and non-forfeitable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/23/2012, and the remaining 4,722 shares become fully vested and non-forfeitable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/21/2013, if reporting person remains an employee of issuer.
- (4) Reports shares allocated to account of reporting person under the Columbus McKinnon Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan, as amended (the "ESOP").
- (5) Exercisable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/19/2009, if reporting person remains an employee of issuer.
- (6) All exercisable, subject to IRS limitations.
- (7) Exercisable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/18/2010, if reporting person remains an employee of issuer.
- (8) Exercisable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/17/2011, if reporting person remains an employee of issuer.
- (9) Exercisable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/23/2012, if reporting person remains an employee of issuer.
- Represents non-qualified stock options issued to reporting person under the Columbus McKinnon Corporation Long Term Incentive
- (10) Plan dated as of July 26, 2010; options become exercisable 25% per year for four years beginning 5/21/2013, if reporting person remains an employee of issues.

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