BATES JOHN C Form 4 April 15, 2013

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BATES JOHN C** Issuer Symbol STEEL DYNAMICS INC [STLD] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 640 LAVOY ROAD 04/12/2013 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ERIE, MI 48133 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 8,803 04/12/2013 A \$0 32,655 (3) (4) D A (1)(2)Stock Common See 450,000 I footnote (6) Stock

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	04/12/2013	04/12/2013	J <u>(5)</u>	8,739	06/01/2017	06/01/2017	Common Stock	8,739

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BATES JOHN C 640 LAVOY ROAD ERIE, MI 48133	X					

Signatures

John C. Bates 04/15/2013

**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).

Represents the number of additional shares of common stock underlying deferred stock units (DSUs) issued to the reporting person as a dividend equivalent reinvestment on existing DSUs, in connection with this person's retainer as a director under the Steel Dynamics, Inc.

- (1) Amended and Restated 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. This transaction is exempt from both the reporting requirements of Section 16(a), including Rule 16a-11, and the provisions of Section 16(b), by virtue of this dividend reinvestment feature and the Company's existing Dividend Reinvestment Plan, as well as being exempt from Section 16(b) independently by virtue of Rule 16b-3(d)(1) and (3).
- (2) Reportable as directly owned shares of common stock, rather than as a derivative security in Table II, because any and all underlying DSUs are payable, at such time as they are to be settled, solely in common stock. (See Lincoln National Corp. (March 20, 1992) (Q.3).
- (3) Includes shares resulting from reinvestment of dividends on any underlying DSUs included in this total.
- (4) Reflects the addition of DSUs previously reported in Table II of Form 4, and hereby moved from Table II to Table I, by virtue of footnote (2).
- (5) The DSUs previously reported in Table II have now been moved to Table I and reported as directly owned shares of common stock and will be reported as such in the future until the underlying DSUs are settled at the end of their deferral period.
- (6) Through control of Heidtman Steel Products, Inc., which holds these shares. Mr. Bates disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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