

GARDNER DENVER INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 THOMPSON RICHARD L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

GARDNER DENVER INC., 1800
 GARDNER EXPRESSWAY

(Street)

QUINCY, IL 62305

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GARDNER DENVER INC [GDI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/31/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Instr. 5) | | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|-------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|---------------|--|---------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Phantom Stk Units | (3) | 03/31/2006 | A | | 28.4 | | (1) | (1) | Common Stk | 28.4 | \$ 61.0 |
| Phantom Stk Units | (3) | 03/31/2006 | A | | 52.7 (2) | | (1) | (1) | Common Stk | 52.7 (2) | \$ 61.0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| THOMPSON RICHARD L GARDNER DENVER INC. 1800 GARDNER EXPRESSWAY QUINCY, IL 62305 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Richard L.
Thompson

04/04/2006

**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).

- The cash value of these units will be distributed to the director or beneficiary on the first day of the month following the date upon which
- (1) the director ceases to be a director of the Company for any reason, (or in no more than twelve installments beginning on the aforementioned date) pursuant to the Company's Phantom Stock Plan for Outside Directors (the "Phantom Plan").
 - (2) These phantom stock units were accrued under the Phantom Plan as a result of an election by the reporting person to defer compensation.
 - (3) The security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
 - (4) Cumulative phantom units accumulated by director during his Board tenure.

Remarks:

Tracy D. Pagliara, Attorney-in-fact for Richard L. Thompson, pursuant to Power of Attorney dated August 29, 2002 and filed with the SEC on October 2, 2002.

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