

Kao Chaofu Jeffrey
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Kao Chaofu Jeffrey

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc. [HRC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1069 STATE ROUTE 46E
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/02/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr. V.P., Sales, Clinical & ITS

BATESVILLE, IN 47006

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

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/02/2008		A	574 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 0	574	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2008		F	175 D \$ 19.39	399	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) 12/2/08	\$ 19.39	12/02/2008		A	34,538	12/02/2009 ⁽²⁾ 12/02/2018	Common Stock	34,538
Restricted Stock Units (Def'd Stock Awd) 12/02/08	⁽³⁾	12/02/2008		A	10,031	⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	10,031

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kao Chaofu Jeffrey 1069 STATE ROUTE 46E BATESVILLE, IN 47006			Sr. V.P., Sales, Clinical & ITS	

Signatures

Donna Isaacs, as Attorney-in-Fact for Jeff Kao 12/04/2008

**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 shares of common stock were issued upon partial vesting of previously awarded performance-based deferred stock shares (otherwise known as restricted stock units). The performance-based deferred stock shares did not constitute derivative securities and therefore were not reported when awarded.
- (1) known as restricted stock units). The performance-based deferred stock shares did not constitute derivative securities and therefore were not reported when awarded.
- (2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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- (3) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security is 1-for-1.

Restricted Stock Units vest 50% on 12/3/2010, 25% on 12/3/2011 and 25% on 12/3/2012. Stock units will automatically be converted

- (4) into shares of common stock in accordance with the respective vesting schedule unless a previous deferral election has been made. Stock units are entitled to dividend equivalent rights, which accrue on dividend record dates.

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