

WOLFORT DAVID A  
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 \*  
WOLFORT DAVID A  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
C/O OLYMPIC STEEL, INC., 5096  
RICHMOND RD.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
OLYMPIC STEEL INC [ZEUS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/13/2013

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and COO

(Street)  
  
BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	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 Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(Inst
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	03/13/2013	I	4,634					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	4,634	22.
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	03/14/2013	I	10,321					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	10,321	22.
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	03/14/2013	I	3,854					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	3,854	23.

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WOLFORT DAVID A C/O OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. 5096 RICHMOND RD. BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146	X		President and COO	

## Signatures

/s/ Gretchen A. Sterling, as  
Attorney-in-Fact  
03/14/2013  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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) Each share of Phantom Stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Olympic Steel, Inc. common stock.  
These shares of Phantom Stock were acquired in connection with Olympic Steel's Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan").
- (2) This security will be settled on October 15, 2020 (the date selected by the Reporting Person), or earlier upon the occurrence of certain events specified in the Plan.  
Price reflects the weighted average price for multiple transactions that ranged from \$22.6000 to \$22.9500 per share. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Commission Staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- (3) Price reflects the weighted average price for multiple transactions that ranged from \$22.3150 to \$23.3100 per share. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Commission Staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- (4) Price reflects the weighted average price for multiple transactions that ranged from \$23.3200 to \$23.5000 per share. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Commission Staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information

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regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.

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