

TOWLE STEVEN J  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF 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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
TOWLE STEVEN J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

333 WEST 11TH STREET

(Street)

KANSAS CITY, MO 64105

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DST SYSTEMS INC [DST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/15/2012

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)

President of Subsidiary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/15/2012		M		10,000 A \$ 39.335	52,835	D
Common Stock	03/15/2012		M		5,000 A \$ 41.865	57,835	D
Common Stock	03/15/2012		S		15,000 D \$ 55.0393	42,835	D
Common Stock						1,140 <sup>(2)</sup>	I Deferred Compensation
Common Stock						743 <sup>(3)</sup>	I 401(k)

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.335	03/15/2012		M	10,000	12/16/2006 12/16/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 41.865	03/15/2012		M	5,000	02/10/2007 02/10/2014	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TOWLE STEVEN J 333 WEST 11TH STREET KANSAS CITY, MO 64105			President of Subsidiary	

## Signatures

Randall D. Young for Steven J. Towle by power of attorney 03/19/2012

\*\*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).

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$55.01 to \$55.07. The price reported above reflects the weighted (1) average price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.

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- (2) Held through Boston Financial Data Services, Inc. Officers Deferred Compensation Plan
- (3) 743 shares are allocated to the Reporting Persons' account in the 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan of Issuer. The acquisition is exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3c).

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