

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Williams Thomas J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 15 LAUREL CREST DRIVE (Street) BURLINGTON CT 06013 (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RBC Bearings INC [ROLL]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>General Counsel and Secretary</u> |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/08/2016 | |
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|---------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/08/2016 | | M | | 2,000 | A | \$37.66 | 6,097 ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/08/2016 | | M | | 2,000 | A | \$44.6 | 8,097 ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/08/2016 | | M | | 2,000 | A | \$51.08 | 10,097 ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/08/2016 | | M | | 1,500 | A | \$64.15 | 11,597 ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/08/2016 | | S | | 8,460 | D | \$71.43 | 3,137 ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾ | D | |

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-------|--|-----------------|---|--|--|---|--|-------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| Option to purchase Common Stock | \$37.66 | 11/08/2016 | | M | | | 2,000 | 10/06/2012 ⁽¹⁾ | 10/06/2018 | Common Stock | 10,000 | \$37.66 | 0 | D | |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$44.6 | 11/08/2016 | | M | | | 2,000 | 06/04/2013 ⁽²⁾ | 06/04/2019 | Common Stock | 10,000 | \$44.6 | 2,000 | D | |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$51.08 | 11/08/2016 | | M | | | 2,000 | 06/14/2014 ⁽³⁾ | 06/14/2020 | Common Stock | 10,000 | \$51.08 | 2,000 | D | |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$64.15 | 11/08/2016 | | M | | | 1,500 | 07/01/2015 ⁽⁵⁾ | 07/01/2021 | Common Stock | 7,500 | \$64.15 | 4,500 | D | |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$72.83 | | | | | | | 07/01/2016 ⁽⁶⁾ | 07/01/2022 | Common Stock | 7,500 | | 7,500 | D | |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$72.94 | | | | | | | 07/08/2017 ⁽⁷⁾ | 07/08/2023 | Common Stock | 7,500 | | 7,500 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Options to purchase shares of Common Stock are subject to the following vesting schedule: 1/5 vest on 10/06/2012, 1/5 vest on 10/06/2013, 1/5 vest on 10/06/2014, 1/5 vest on 10/06/2015 and 1/5 vest on 10/06/2016. Options expire 7 years from grant date.
- Options to purchase shares of Common Stock are subject to the following vesting schedule: 1/5 vest on 6/4/2013, 1/5 vest on 6/4/2014, 1/5 vest on 6/4/2015, 1/5 vest on 6/4/2016 and 1/5 vest on 6/4/2017. Options expire 7 years from grant date.
- Options to purchase shares of Common Stock are subject to the following vesting schedule: 1/5 vest on 6/14/2014, 1/5 vest on 6/14/2015, 1/5 vest on 6/14/2016, 1/5 vest on 6/14/2017 and 1/5 vest on 6/14/2018. Options expire 7 years from grant date.
- 333 shares of the reported Common Stock are Restricted Shares. The Restrictions lapse on 7-1/2017. Unvested shares of Restricted Stock (i) may be immediately forfeited to the Company at the time the grantee ceases to be an officer or employee of, or otherwise perform services for, the Company or its subsidiaries under certain circumstances or (ii) may lapse upon the happening of certain events.

5. Options to purchase shares of Common Stock are subject to the following vesting schedule: 1/5 vest on 7-1/2015, 1/5 vest on 7-1/2016, 1/5 vest on 7-1/2017, 1/5 vest on 7-1/2018 and 1/5 vest on 7-1/2019. Options expire 7 years from grant date

6. Options to purchase shares of Common Stock are subject to the following vesting schedule: 1/5 vest on 7-1/2016, 1/5 vest on 7-1/2017, 1/5 vest on 7-1/2018, 1/5 vest on 7-1/2019 and 1/5 vest on 7-1/2020. Options expire 7 years from grant date

7. Options to purchase shares of Common Stock are subject to the following vesting schedule: 1/5 vest on 7/8/2017, 1/5 vest on 7/8/2018, 1/5 vest on 7/8/2019, 1/5 vest on 7/8/2020 and 1/5 vest on 7/8/2021. Options expire 7 years from grant date.

8. 1,000 shares of the reported Common Stock are Restricted Shares. The Restrictions lapse in accordance with the following schedule: 1/3 vest on 7/8/2017, 1/3 vest on 7/8/2018, 1/3 vest on 7/8/2019. Unvested shares of Restricted Stock (i) may be immediately forfeited to the Company at the time the grantee ceases to be an officer or employee of, or otherwise perform services for, the Company or its subsidiaries under certain circumstances or (ii) may lapse upon the happening of certain events.

9. 667 shares of the reported Common Stock are Restricted Shares. The Restrictions lapse in accordance with the following schedule: 1/2 vest on 7/1/2017, 1/2 vest on 7/1/2018. Unvested shares of Restricted Stock (i) may be immediately forfeited to the Company at the time the grantee ceases to be an officer or employee of, or otherwise perform services for, the Company or its subsidiaries under certain circumstances or (ii) may lapse upon the happening of certain events.

Remarks:

Thomas J. Williams

11/08/2016

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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