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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Wathen David M</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>TRIMAS CORP [ TRS ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>President and CEO</b>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/21/2012</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
<u>39400 WOODWARD AVENUE SUITE 130</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <u>BLOOMFIELD HILLS 48304</u>								
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>01/21/2012</u>		<u>M</u>		<u>8,333<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>A</u>	<u>\$19.22</u>	<u>324,831</u>	<u>D<sup>(2)</sup></u>	

**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
<u>Restricted Stock Units</u>	<u>\$19.22</u>	<u>01/21/2012</u>		<u>M</u>		<u>8,333<sup>(1)</sup></u>		<u>01/21/2012<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>01/21/2014</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>8,333<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>16,667</u>	<u>D<sup>(2)</sup></u>	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The first of three installments for restricted stock units granted January 21, 2011 pursuant to the 2006 Long Term Equity Incentive Plan vested on January 21, 2012.
- David M. Wathen and Laurene A. Wathen JT TEN WROS

/s/ Paula Reno attorney-in-fact 01/24/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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).

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