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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HICKS MICHAEL E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

OMNOVA SOLUTIONS INC

(Check all applicable)

[OMN]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

175 GHENT ROAD

Stock

07/27/2012

Sr VP Chief Financial Officer

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

Applicable Line)

Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

FAIRLAWN, OH 44333-3300

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-I | Derivative : | Secur | ities Acqui | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|-------|---------------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) | ed of | | 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) |
| Common Stock | 07/27/2012 | | M(1) | 22,175 | D | \$ 0 | 167,781 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/27/2012 | | S | 22,175 | A | \$ 7.2015 (2) | 189,956 | D | |
| Common | | | | | | | 31,665.887 | I | Plan Trust |

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative 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) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 4.15 | 07/27/2012 | | M | 22,175 | 06/11/2003 | 12/12/2012 | Common Stock | 22,175 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HICKS MICHAEL E 175 GHENT ROAD FAIRLAWN, OH 44333-3300

Sr VP Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Kristine C. Syrvalin, Attorney-in-fact for Michael E.

Hicks 07/30/2012

**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).
- These shares represent shares acquired uopn the exercise of options granted under the OMNOVA Solutions Inc Amended and Restated (1) 1999 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan on December 12,2002. The options became exercisable in 25% increments on 6/11/03; 12/12/03; 12/12/04 and 12/12/05 and are due to expire later this year on 12/12/12.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$7.15 to \$7.25, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide OMNOVA Solutions, any shareholders of OMNOVA Solutions or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (3) Shares held in the OMNOVA Solutions Retirement Savings Plan as of 07/27/2012 per the Plan Administrator's Records.

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