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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/ [WHR] A Brega Joao Carlos (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2000 M-63N (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) BENTON Form filed by More than One **Executive Vice President** HARBOR, MIÂ 49022 Reporting Person (State) (City) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 15,941.012 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative		
		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:		
					Security	Direct (D)		
						or Indirect		

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/16/2014	Common	1,650	\$ 72.94	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/20/2016	Common	3,707	\$ 89.16	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	02/19/2017	Common	3,832	\$ 94.47	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	02/19/2018	Common	6,547	\$ 88.49	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	02/16/2019	Common	15,202	\$ 31.82	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	02/14/2021	Common	8,882	\$ 85.45	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(8)	02/20/2022	Common	10,463	\$ 71.03	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(9)	(9)	Common	6,273	\$ <u>(9)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(10)	(10)	Common	1,439	\$ (10)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(11)	(11)	Common	5,000	\$ (11)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(12)	(12)	Common	2,875	\$ <u>(12)</u>	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Brega Joao Carlos 2000 M-63N BENTON HARBOR, MI 49022	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â		

## **Signatures**

/s/ Bridget K. Quinn, Attorney-in-Fact 03/26/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) As of 03/15/2012, the latest date for which information is reasonably available, there are 45.012 shares held in the account of the undersigned pursuant to the broker-administered dividend reinvestment plan.
- (2) The option became exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2005.
- (3) The option became exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments beginning on February 20, 2007.
- (4) The option became exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments beginning on February 19, 2008.

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- (5) The option became exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments beginning on February 19, 2009.
- (6) The option became exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2010.
- (7) The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments, beginning on February 14, 2012.
- (8) The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal annual installments, beginning on February 20, 2013.
- (9) Restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of Whirlpool common stock. Restricted stock units will vest and convert one-for-one to shares on February 15, 2013.
- (10) Restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of Whirlpool common stock. Restricted stock units will vest and convert one-for-one to shares on February 14, 2014.
- (11) Restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of Whirlpool common stock. Restricted stock units will vest and convert one-for-one to shares on June 18, 2014.
- (12) Restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of Whirlpool common stock. Restricted stock units will vest and convert one-for-one to shares as follows: one-third on February 20, 2013; one-third on February 20, 2014; and one-third on February 20, 2015.

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