

Nelson Michael W
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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 *
 Nelson Michael W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7203 GOLDENROD CIRCLE

(Street)

WAUSAU, WI 54401

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 WAUSAU PAPER CORP. [WPP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/15/2012

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)
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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-------------|---|
| No Par Value Common Stock | 05/15/2012 | | J(1) | V | 37.9917 | A | \$ 9.4837 | 12,156.4256 | D |

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. 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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Performance Rights | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 05/15/2012 | | A | V | 11.5423 | | 01/03/2013 ⁽³⁾ | 01/03/2013 ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock |
| Performance Rights | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 05/15/2012 | | A | V | 18.5 | | 01/03/2014 ⁽⁴⁾ | 01/03/2014 ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock |
| Performance Rights | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 05/15/2012 | | A | V | 8.1029 | | 03/15/2013 ⁽⁵⁾ | 03/15/2013 ⁽⁵⁾ | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Nelson Michael W 7203 GOLDENROD CIRCLE WAUSAU, WI 54401 | | | SVP - Paper | |

Signatures

Erik B. Bunnell,
Attorney-in-Fact

06/04/2012

 **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).

- (1) Acquired under Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) Converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Rights vest if employment continues until January 3, 2013.
- (4) Rights vest if employment continues until January 3, 2014.
- (5) Rights vest if employment continues until March 15, 2013.

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