#### LUDWIG DAVID F

Form 4

February 21, 2013

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* LUDWIG DAVID F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

BALCHEM CORP [BCPC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

**BALCHEM CORPORATION, 52** SUNRISE PARK ROAD

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/19/2013

VP/Gen Mgr/ARC Spec Prods

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Following

below)

NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned

> Reported (A) Transaction(s) or

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 02/19/2013 A 3,081 D \$0  $32,490^{(2)}$ D Stock (1)

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.1	02/19/2013		A	9,134	(3)	02/19/2023	Common Stock	0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

LUDWIG DAVID F BALCHEM CORPORATION 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958

VP/Gen Mgr/ARC Spec Prods

## **Signatures**

/s/ Matthew Houston, Attorney in Fact 02/21/2013

\*\*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).

Ownership of the restricted stock does not vest in Reporting person until four years from the grant date and is further subject to

- (1) restrictions on transfer in accordance with the provisions of a Restricted Stock Grant Agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Person
- (2) This filing amends the "Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction" to include the most current amount of shares owned directly by Mr. Ludwig in his 401(k)/profit sharing account.
- (3) Options vest 20% year 1; 40% year 2; and 40% year 3

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