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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

Richardson Chester A S			er Name and Ticker or Trading AIIAN ELECTRIC STRIES INC [HE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) P.O. BOX			of Earliest Transaction /Day/Year) 2012	below)	Officer (give title Other (specify				
	(Street)		nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
HONOLULU, HI 96808-0730 — Form filed by More than One Reporting Person									
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code (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)			
Common Stock	02/03/2012		A 7,410 A \$ 25.98	36,921.7108 (2)	D				
Common Stock				402.677 <u>(3)</u>	I	By 401k			
Common				6,193.1368 <u>(2)</u>	I	By spouse			

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
	•				(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
				~					of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Richardson Chester A P.O. BOX 730 HONOLULU, HI 96808-0730

EVP GC & Chief Admin Officer

Signatures

Kurt K. Murao, Atty-in-Fact for Chester A.Richardson

02/07/2012

**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) Grant of 7,410 restricted stock units on February 3, 2012. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of HEI common stock. The restricted stock units will vest in annual installments over four years.
- (2) Includes shares acquired under the Hawaiian Electric Industries, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Represents shares held in the form of stock units in the HEI Common Stock fund pursuant to the Hawaiian Electric Industries Retirement Savings Plan as of January 17, 2012.

Remarks:

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Exhibit List

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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