LYDALL INC /DE/ Form 4 December 13, 2010

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LAUGHLAN JAMES V

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LYDALL INC /DE/ [LDL]

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

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

Director

C/O LYDALL, INC., ONE

(Month/Day/Year)

12/09/2010

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify below)

COLONIAL ROAD, P.O. BOX 151

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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

(Check all applicable)

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

MANCHESTER, CT 06045-0151

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A)

Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 12/09/2010 Stock

3,500 A (1) 7.8

 $8,666^{(2)}$

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Buy	\$ 7.8	12/09/2010		A	4,500	12/10/2011(3)	12/09/2020	Common Stock	4,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAUGHLAN JAMES V C/O LYDALL, INC. ONE COLONIAL ROAD, P.O. BOX 151 MANCHESTER, CT 06045-0151

Controller

Signatures

Paul G. Igoe, Attorney-in-fact for James V. Laughlan

**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).
- Represents an award of Performance Shares granted under the Company's 2003 Stock Incentive Compensation Plan, which award is subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture and vests, if at all, to the extent determined upon the certification by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company that the Company has achieved certain specified financial performance criteria during the one-year period ending December 31, 2013.
- Includes (i) 750 unvested shares subject to time-based restricted stock awards and (ii) 5,000 unvested shares subject to a performance-based restricted stock award.
- Incentive stock options granted under the Amended and Restated Lydall 2003 Stock Incentive Compensation Plan. Options become exercisable at the rate of 25% per year, beginning one year from initial grant date.

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