RESTREPO ROBERT P JR

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

State Auto Financial CORP [STFC]

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

RESTREPO ROBERT P JR

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	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	of Earliest	Transactio	n							
518 E. BROAD STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 08/08/2012					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President, CEO						
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person					
	COLUMB	US, OH 43215								by More than O				
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non	-Derivativ	e Sec	urities A	s Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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 Shares without par value								1,138.959	I	By 401(k) plan			
	Common Shares without par value								7,425.354	I	By Non-qualified deferred compensation plan			
	Common Shares without	08/08/2012			P	350	A	\$ 13.83	83,117.488	D				

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par value

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title Amoun Under! Securir (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RESTREPO ROBERT P JR 518 E. BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215	X		Chairman, President, CEO				

Signatures

/s/Robert P. Restrepo, Jr. by James A. Yano, attorney in fact pursuant to POA filed with Commission 5/7/07.

08/10/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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