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			ORP [CCMP]					••			
(Mor			Ionth/Day/Year)				_X_Director10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify below) below)				
	ECTRONICS ATION, 870 COM		/15/2012								
(Street) 4. If Amo Filed(Mo			If Amendment, D ed(Month/Day/Yea	onth/Day/Year) A				 Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
AURORA,	IL 60504						Person	sie man one Rej	porting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	rity (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if		Code Year) (Instr. 8)	omr Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (and 5 (A) or	D) 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	02/15/2012		Code V M	Amount 10,000	(D) A	Price \$ 32.02	20,000	D			
Common Stock	02/15/2012		S	10,000	D	\$ 51.1893	10,000	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	rivative Expiration Date curities (Month/Day/Year) quired (A) Disposed of) str. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.02	02/15/2012		М	10,000	03/08/2006(1)	03/08/2015	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Birgeneau Robert J C/O CABOT MICROELECTRONICS CORPORATIO 870 COMMONS DRIVE AURORA, IL 60504	N X						
Signatures							
/s/ H. Carol Bernstein (Power of Attorney) 02/15/	2012						
**Signature of Reporting Person Date	e						

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) Directors' Annual Non-Qualified Stock Option Award Vesting dates: 25% 3/8/06, 25% 3/8/07, 25% 3/8/08, 25% 3/8/09

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