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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement VALSPAR CORP [VAL] McCormick Brenda A (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) P O BOX 1461 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer \_\_X\_\_ Other Person MINNEAPOLIS. MNÂ 55440 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Controller Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 0 D Â common stock common stock 1.340 I Savings and Retirement Plan (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(Instr. 4) Expiration Date Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Benefic  (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of Owners  (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Security:	
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
stock option (right to buy)	10/15/2009(2)	10/15/2018	common stock	4,000	\$ 18.01	D	Â
stock option (right to buy)	10/21/2010(2)	10/21/2019	common stock	4,000	\$ 26.37	D	Â
cash-settled restricted stock unit	(4)	(4)	common stock	1,021	\$ <u>(3)</u>	D	Â
cash-settled restricted stock unit	(5)	(5)	common stock	909	\$ <u>(3)</u>	D	Â

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
McCormick Brenda A P O BOX 1461 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55440	Â	Â	Â	Controller		

### **Signatures**

/s/ Linda Colman, by Power of Attorney

02/24/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) vested shares in Valspar Savings and Retirement Plan as of allocation date 2/16/12
- (2) stock option grant, vests in thirds starting one year from grant date
- (3) 1-for-1
- (4) the cash-settled restricted stock units will vest on 1/06/2014 and shall be paid in cash
- (5) the cash-settled restricted stock units will vest on 1/05/2015 and shall be paid in cash

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