

WOLFORT DAVID A  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WOLFORT DAVID A  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
C/O OLYMPIC STEEL, INC., 5096  
RICHMOND RD.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
OLYMPIC STEEL INC [ZEUS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/30/2011

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and COO

(Street)  
  
BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. De
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Share Units	(1)	12/30/2011	A	30,017					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	30,017

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WOLFORT DAVID A C/O OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. 5096 RICHMOND RD. BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146	X		President and COO	

## Signatures

/s/ Gretchen A. Sterling, as  
Attorney-in-Fact  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

01/04/2012  
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) Each restricted share unit ("RSU") represents the contingent right to receive one share of Olympic Steel, Inc. common stock. These RSUs were acquired under Olympic Steel's 2007 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as amended. These RSUs vest on January 1, 2017 if the Reporting Person continues to be an employee of Olympic Steel (or its subsidiaries or affiliates) in the same or a higher position on such date. These RSUs will be settled upon attainment of age 62, no earlier than six months following retirement, termination of employment or separation from service, as described in the award agreement. Vesting and settlement may also occur earlier in limited circumstances as specified in the award agreement.
- (3) This total number of RSUs includes previously-granted RSUs with different vesting and payment terms.

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