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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * AINSWORTH LOUIS L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

PENTAIR INC [PNR]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2008

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

5500 WAYZATA BLVD., SUITE 800

(Street)

(State)

(First)

below) Sr. Vice President, Secretary

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

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

Person

GOLDEN

(City)

VALLEY, MN 55416-1261

(Zip)	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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	e V Amount		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
	Common Stock	09/08/2008		M	24,954	A	\$ 19.8125	176,528.745	D	
	Common Stock	09/08/2008		S(1)	29,954	D	\$ 36.68 (2) (3)	146,574.745	D	
	Common Stock							3,789.878	I	By Spouse

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

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ve Expiration Date es (Month/Day/Year) d (A) sed of		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to	\$ 19.8125	09/08/2008		M	24,954	01/14/2000	01/14/2009	Common Stock	24,954

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

AINSWORTH LOUIS L 5500 WAYZATA BLVD. SUITE 800 GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55416-1261

Sr. Vice President, Secretary

Signatures

buy)

LouisLAinsworth 09/10/2008

**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).
- (3) Upon request by the Commission, the company or a shareholder, the reporting person will provide full details of the information reported regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The reported price for this transaction is the weighted average price, and the range of prices is \$36.29 to \$36.95.
- (1) The reported sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 7, 2008.

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