

RUSSELL MARK A  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
RUSSELL MARK A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WORTHINGTON INDUSTRIES INC [WOR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
200 OLD WILSON BRIDGE ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/30/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President, Worthington Steel

COLUMBUS, OH 43085

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (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. 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)
Common Shares				(A) or (D) Price	1,608 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By 401(k) Plan

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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. F...
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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock, acquired under deferred compensation plan	(2)	12/30/2008		A		691		(3)	(4)	common shares	691

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUSSELL MARK A 200 OLD WILSON BRIDGE ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43085			President, Worthington Steel	

## Signatures

/s/Dale T. Brinkman as attorney-in-fact for Mark A. Russell  
 12/31/2008

\*\*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).
- (1) Amount listed is the most up-to-date information available regarding holdings in the Company Plan Fund which invests in Common Shares of the Company.
- (2) The accounts track common shares on a one-for-one basis
- (3) The account balances related to the theoretical common shares may be immediately transferred to other investment options under the terms of the deferred compensation plans.
- (4) These are unfunded accounts under Worthington Industries, Inc.'s deferred compensation plan invested in phantom stock. Distributions are made only in cash, and generally commence upon retirement or other termination of employment.
- (5) The amount reported represents an additional 188 unfunded theoretical common shares (i.e., phantom stock) credited pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the Worthington Industries, Inc.'s Deferred Compensation Plans.

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