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## FORM 4

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Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue.

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A SCHLOTM	L Symbol	er Name <b>an</b> ER CO []	d Ticker or Trading  KR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last)	(First)		of Earliest T	ransaction	`	all applicable	,		
1014 VINE	(Month/) 05/04/2	Day/Year) 2011		Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President					
	4. If Am	endment, D	ate Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
CINCINNA	ATI, OH 45202	Filed(Mo	nth/Day/Yea	ur)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by Moderson				
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature o Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Code V Amount

F

(A)

(D)

673 (1) D

Price

24.14

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

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

108,294.6063

(2)

(I)

D

(Instr. 4)

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

of

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(monda, Day, Teal)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 a	ng s	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	nount umber uares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHLOTMAN J MICHAEL 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Senior Vice President

## **Signatures**

/s/ J. Michael Schlotman, by Bruce M. Gack, Attorney-in-Fact

05/05/2011

\*\*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) Payment of tax liability associated with restricted stock.
- (2) The total amount of securities directly owned by the reporting person includes shares in the Company's employee benefit plans that are deemed to be 'tax-conditioned plans' pursuant to Rule 16b-3, to the extent disclosed on reports received from plan trustees.

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