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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Benson Thomas M | | (Month/Day/Year) | TRIMAS CORP [TRS] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 02/23/2011 | |
| 39400 WOODWARD AVENUE,Â SUITE 130 | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| BLOOMFIELD HILLS,Â MIÂ 48304 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| | | | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| | | | President Cequent Performance | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 6,110 ⁽¹⁾ | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 1,067 ⁽²⁾ | D | Â |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Derivative Security | Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | 10/01/2012 | 10/01/2015 | Common Stock | 33,330 ⁽³⁾ | \$ 23 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to buy) | Â ⁽⁴⁾ | 03/09/2019 | Common Stock | 30,000 ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 1.01 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|---------------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Benson Thomas M 39400 WOODWARD AVENUE SUITE 130 BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304 | Â | Â | Â | President Cequent Performance Â |

Signatures

/s/ Paula Reno
attorney-in-fact

03/02/2011

__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) Restricted shares of common stock of the Company granted December 4, 2009 under the TriMas Corporation 2006 Long Term Equity Incentive Plan, restrictions lapse on March 15, 2011.
- (2) Balance of restricted shares of common stock of the Company granted April 2, 2008 under the TriMas Corporation 2006 Long Term Equity Incentive Plan, restrictions lapse on April 2, 2011.
- (3) Option to purchase shares of common stock of the Company granted October 1, 2005 under the TriMas Corporation 2002 Long Term Equity Incentive Plan, 80% of the shares subject to this Option vested in three equal annual installments on each of October 1, 2006, October 1, 2007 and October 1, 2008; the remaining 20% of the shares subject to this Option will vest October 1, 2012.
- (4) Balance of Non-Qualified Stock Option to purchase shares of common stock of the Company granted March 9, 2009 under the TriMas Corporation 2002 Long Term Equity Incentive Plan, remaining shares subject to this Option shall vest and become exercisable with respect to 12,500 shares on March 9, 2011 and 12,500 shares on March 9, 2012.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Â Â Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney

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