

WORTHINGTON INDUSTRIES INC  
 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 \*  
**KARMANOS PETER**

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**09/29/2005**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**ONE CAMPUS MARTIUS**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**DETROIT, MI 48226**

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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)
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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
Director Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 21	09/29/2005		A			4,000		09/29/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/28/2015	Common Shares	4,000
Phantom Stock	<sup>(2)</sup>								<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(4)</sup>	Common Shares	217

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KARMANOS PETER ONE CAMPUS MARTIUS DETROIT, MI 48226			X	

## Signatures

/s/Dale T. Brinkman, as attorney-in-fact for Peter Karmanos, Jr. 09/30/2005

\_\_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).
- This option was granted out of the Worthington Industries, Inc. 2000 Stock Option Plan for Outside Directors and will become vested and
- (1) fully exercisable on the first to occur: (i) the first anniversary of the Grant Date or (ii) the date of the Company's next Annual Meeting of Shareholders following the Grant Date.
  - (2) The accounts track common stock 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) The amounts reported represent unfunded theoretical common shares (i.e., phantom stock) credited to the accounts of the reporting person under Worthington Industries, Inc.'s Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors. Distributions are made only in cash, and generally commence upon leaving the Company's Board of Directors.
  - (5) Reflects changes in accounts invested in phantom stock as a result of dividend reinvestment feature of Worthington Industries, Inc.'s deferred compensation plans.

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