PENTAIR INC Form 4 February 14, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

PENTAIR INC [PNR]

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

02/11/2005

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Print or Type Responses)

800

GOLDEN

(City)

1.Title of

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MERRIMAN RONALD

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

5500 WAYZATA BLVD., SUITE

(Street)

VALLEY, MN 55416-1259

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(State)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if anv

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code

TransactionAcquired (A) or

(A) or

4. Securities

Disposed of (D)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of 4 **Transaction**Derivative Code 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
Phantom Stock Units - Deferred Compensation	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	02/11/2005		A(2)		12.108		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	12.108

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director

Director

Director

MERRIMAN RONALD

5500 WAYZATA BLVD.

SUITE 800

GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55416-1259

Signatures

Louis L. Ainsworth, Attorney-In-Fact 02/14/2005

**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).
- (1) Phantom stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) Represents phantom stock units credited under a deferred compensation plan for non-employee directors over which the reporting person has no current dispositive or voting power.
- (3) Shares acquired under this Plan are purchased over a three-day trading period. The price shown is the average purchase price over the trading period.
- (4) Settlement of phantom stock units will be in Pentair common stock in accordance with reporting person's irrevocable election.
- (5) End-of-period holdings include shares acquired under a dividend reinvestment plan in exempt transaction not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16(a).

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