PENTAIR INC Form 4 March 01, 2006

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CATHCART RICHARD J |          |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer            |  |  |  |
|--|----------|----------|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last)   | (First)  | (Middle) | PENTAIR INC [PNR]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable)                                      |  |  |  |
| , ,  | , ,      | , ,      | (Month/Day/Year)                                   | X Director 10% Owner  |  |  |  |
| 5500 WAYZATA BLVD., SUITE 800                                |          |          | 02/27/2006   | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Chairman |  |  |  |
|  | (Street) |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                     | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check                   |  |  |  |
|  |          |          | Filed(Month/Day/Year)                              | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person     |  |  |  |
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#### VALLEY, MN 55416-1261

| (City                                | (State)                              | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |                                  |                              |             |  |  |   |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|--|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                            | 3.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securi or(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | ispose<br>4 and<br>(A)<br>or | d of (D)    | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| Commo<br>Stock                       | on 02/27/2006                        |  | F(1)                                   | 1,028                            | D                            | \$<br>40.69 | 135,315  | D  |   |  |
| Commo<br>Stock -<br>ESPP             | on                                   |  |  |                                  |                              |             | 5,465.513  | D  |   |  |
| Commo<br>Stock                       | on                                   |  |  |                                  |                              |             | 1,531.98   | I  | As<br>Custodian<br>Under<br>UTMA                                  |  |
| Commo                                | on                                   |  |  |                                  |                              |             | 3,805.0885   | I  | By ESOP   |  |

Stock -ESOP

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |                     | ate                | 7. Titl<br>Amou<br>Under<br>Secur<br>(Instr. | int of<br>rlying                       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|---|
|   |   |                                      | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |

### **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |               |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|--|--|--|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer       | Other |  |  |  |
| CATHCART RICHARD J<br>5500 WAYZATA BLVD.<br>SUITE 800<br>GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55416-1261 | X             |           | Vice Chairman |       |  |  |  |

# **Signatures**

Louis L. Ainsworth, Attorney-In-Fact 03/01/2006

\*\*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) Shares surrendered to pay taxes applicable to vesting of restricted stock.

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