

MERRIMAN RONALD

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**MERRIMAN RONALD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PENTAIR INC [PNR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**5500 WAYZATA BLVD., SUITE 800**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/03/2011**

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

**GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55416**

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

(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)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock - Restricted Stock Units	01/03/2011		A <sup>(1)</sup>		1,164	A	\$ 0 2,084 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock	01/04/2011		M		228.507	A	\$ 0 10,228.507	D
Common Stock	01/04/2011		G	V	228.507	D	\$ 0 10,000	D
Common Stock	01/04/2011		G	V	228.507	A	\$ 0 1,714.107 <sup>(3)</sup>	I
							459 <sup>(4)</sup>	I

By Trust

Common  
Stock -  
Deferral  
Plan

Plan  
Agent

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title of Underlying Security (Instr. 3)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.98	01/03/2011		A <sup>(5)</sup>	4,242	01/03/2012 <sup>(6)</sup>	01/03/2021	Common Stock
Phantom Stock Units (Deferred Compensation)	\$ 1 <sup>(7)</sup>	01/04/2011		M	228.507	<sup>(8)</sup>	<sup>(8)</sup>	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MERRIMAN RONALD 5500 WAYZATA BLVD. SUITE 800 GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55416		X		

## Signatures

s/ Angela D. Lageson,  
Attorney-in-Fact

01/05/2011

\_\_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).

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- Restricted stock units granted pursuant to and subject to a vesting condition of the Pentair, Inc. 2008 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan, as Amended and Restated. Each restricted stock unit represents a right to receive one share of Pentair, Inc. common stock upon vesting.
- (1) Vested shares of Pentair, Inc. common stock will be delivered to the reporting person in accordance with their irrevocable deferral election.
  - (2) End-of-period holdings reflect the vesting of restricted stock units that were previously reported.
  - (3) 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).
  - (4) Shares of Pentair, Inc. common stock will be delivered to the reporting person in accordance with their irrevocable deferral election.
  - (5) Nonqualified stock option granted under the Pentair, Inc. 2008 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan, as Amended and Restated.
  - (6) One-third of the stock options become exercisable on the first, second, and third anniversary of the grant.
  - (7) Phantom stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
  - (8) Settlement of phantom stock units in accordance with reporting person's irrevocable election.

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