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ISSUER

SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL INC

CIK: **1000623** | IRS No.: **621612879** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **2621** Paper mills

Mailing Address	Business Address
100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST SUITE 600 ALPHARETTA GA 30022-8246	100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST SUITE 600 ALPHARETTA GA 30022-8246 8005140186

REPORTING OWNER

THOMPSON PETER J

CIK: **1204855**
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person THOMPSON PETER J (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATL, INC., 100 NORTH POINT CENTER EAST, SUITE 600 (Street) ALPHARETTA 30022 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/ Year) 01/22/2009	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SCHWEITZER MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL INC [SWM]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director _____ 10% Owner <u> X </u> Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) below) Treas, CFO & Strat Plan Off.	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <u> X </u> Form Filed by One Reporting Person ____ 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)
SWM Common Stock	27,612 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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 Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	01/08/2002 ⁽²⁾	01/07/2011	SWM Common Stock	9,528	\$19.35	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	01/15/2003 ⁽³⁾	01/14/2012	SWM Common Stock	6,660	\$23.045	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	01/02/2004 ⁽⁴⁾	01/01/2013	SWM Common Stock	15,900	\$24.525	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	01/02/2005 ⁽⁵⁾	01/01/2014	SWM Common Stock	9,650	\$30.165	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	01/03/2006 ⁽⁶⁾	01/02/2015	SWM Common Stock	12,300	\$33.55	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Includes 3,377 shares of SWM common stock acquired through the 401(k) Plan.
- Grant became fully exercisable on 1/8/2004.

3. Grant became fully exercisable on 1/15/2005.
4. Grant became fully exercisable on 1/2/2006
5. Grant became fully exercisable on 1/2/2007.
6. Grant became fully exercisable on 1/3/2008.

Signatures

Honor Winks as Attorney in Fact for Pete Thompson

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/26/2009

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned does hereby make, constitute and appoint John W. Rumley, Jr., Honor Winks or Mark Spears as the undersigned's true and lawful agents and attorneys-in-fact (each hereinafter referred to as an "Attorney") to act either together or alone in the name and on behalf of the undersigned for and with respect to the matters hereinafter described.

Each Attorney shall have the power and authority to prepare, execute and deliver Statements of Changes of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 4 or Form 5 (or such other forms as may be designated from time to time by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") for such purpose) or any amendments thereto required to be filed with the Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 on behalf of the undersigned as a result of the undersigned's transactions in, or changes in beneficial ownership of equity securities (including derivative securities) of Schweitzer-Mauduit International, Inc.

Each Attorney is hereby authorized to execute and deliver all documents, acknowledgements, consents and other agreements and to take such further action as may be necessary or convenient in order to more effectively carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing.

The Power of Attorney conferred hereby is not delegable by any Attorney. Each Attorney shall serve without compensation for acting in the

capacity of agent and attorney-in-fact hereunder.

The undersigned hereby ratifies, confirms and adopts as the undersigned's own act and deed all action lawfully taken by the Attorneys, or any of them, pursuant to the power and authority herein granted.

Unless sooner revoked by the undersigned, the Power of Attorney shall be governed by the laws of the State of Georgia, and the power and authority granted herein shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the undersigned is no longer subject to Section 16 and required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has set his or hand
this 15th day of March, 2006

Signature: /s/

Print Name: Peter J. Thompson