FASTENAL CO Form 4 August 16, 2012

FORM 4

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

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

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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

FASTENAL CO [FAST]

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

LUNDQUIST NICHOLAS J

(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	f Earliest Tr	ansaction			`	11	,
2001 THEURER BOULEVARD			(Month/Day/Year) 08/14/2012					Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice-President		
	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
WINONA,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction De (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/14/2012			M	25,000	A	\$ 22.5	146,000	D	
Common Stock								20,000 (3)	I	Owned by Spouse
Common Stock								10,000 (3)	I	Held in children custodian account
Common Stock								6,180 (4)	I	401(K) Plan

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.5	08/14/2012		M	25,000	<u>(1)</u>	05/31/2015	Common Stock	25,000	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 54					(2)	05/31/2021	Common Stock	37,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LUNDQUIST NICHOLAS J 2001 THEURER BOULEVARD WINONA, MN 55987

Executive Vice-President

Signatures

/s/ John Milek, Attorney-in-Fact 08/16/2012

**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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- This option (100,000) will fully vest and become exercisable over a period of seven years, with 50% of the option vesting and becoming (1) exercisable halfway through the relevant vesting period and becoming exercisable on each anniversary of the date of the grant of the option occurring after the initial vesting date.
- This option (37,500) will fully vest and become exercisable over a period of five years, with 50% of the option vesting and becoming exercisable halfway through the relevant vesting period and the remainder vesting and becoming exercisable incrementally (20%, 20% and 10% respectively) on each anniversary of the date of the grant of the option occurring after the initial vesting date.
- (3) The reporting party disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (4) Shares attributed to reporting person's account within issuer's 401(K) Plan as of June 30, 2012.

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