POWELL INDUSTRIES INC

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MADISON DON R Issuer Symbol POWELL INDUSTRIES INC (Check all applicable) [POWL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) PO BOX 12818 12/09/2008 Executive Vice President, CFO (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77217 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 12/09/2008 A 3,364 A \$0 3,364 D Stock Common **ESOP** 836 I

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,			7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MADISON DON R PO BOX 12818 HOUSTON, TX 77217

Executive Vice President, CFO

Signatures

Don R. Madison 12/11/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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