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#### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Orr, III San W.			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Colfax CORP</u> [ CFX ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
				X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2012		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
C/O BDT CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC			03/10/2012						
401 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 3100		E, SUITE 3100							
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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(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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock, par value \$.001	05/16/2012(1)		Α		1,383	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	6,939	D	

## 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	<b>\$</b> 28.92	05/16/2012		A		3,458		05/16/2012	05/15/2019	Common Stock, par value \$.001	3,458	\$0	3,458	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. This transaction was an annual grant of restricted stock units to Mr. Orr in connection with his service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer.

### <u>/s/ San W. Orr, III</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

 $^{\ast}$  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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