

SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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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 *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Knight Timothy A		(Month/Day/Year)	SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO [SHW]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
101 WEST PROSPECT AVENUE		12/31/2011	(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
CLEVELAND,Â OHÂ 44115			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
			President, LACG	
				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> 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)
Common Stock	31,340 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	16,255	I	By Family Trust
Common Stock	8,023.89 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Stock Plan

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

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**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	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Ownership (Instr. 5)
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/18/2007	10/17/2016	Common Stock	8,334	\$ 59.435	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/18/2008	10/17/2016	Common Stock	8,333	\$ 59.435	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/18/2009	10/17/2016	Common Stock	8,333	\$ 59.435	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2008	10/18/2017	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 63.44	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2009	10/18/2017	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 63.44	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2010	10/18/2017	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 63.44	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/14/2009	10/13/2018	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 54.09	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/14/2010	10/13/2018	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 54.09	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/14/2011	10/13/2018	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 54.09	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/15/2010	10/14/2019	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 63.25	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/15/2011	10/14/2019	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 63.25	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/15/2012	10/14/2019	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 63.25	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2011	10/18/2020	Common Stock	5,584	\$ 72.62	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2012	10/18/2020	Common Stock	5,583	\$ 72.62	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2013	10/18/2020	Common Stock	5,583	\$ 72.62	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/15/2011	11/14/2020	Common Stock	4,067	\$ 73.57	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/15/2012	11/14/2020	Common Stock	4,066	\$ 73.57	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/15/2013	11/14/2020	Common Stock	4,067	\$ 73.57	D	Â

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2012	10/18/2021	Common Stock	4,667	\$ 78.255	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2013	10/18/2021	Common Stock	4,666	\$ 78.255	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2014	10/18/2021	Common Stock	4,667	\$ 78.255	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Knight Timothy A 101 WEST PROSPECT AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44115	Â	Â	Â President, LACG	Â

## Signatures

Louis E. Stellato,  
Attorney-in-fact

01/06/2012

Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

(1) Shares listed are restricted.

Represents the approximate number of shares of common stock for which the Reporting Person has the right to direct the vote under The Sherwin-Williams Company Employee Stock Purchase and Savings Plan per the trustee's 12/31/11 statement. Shares of common stock are not directly allocated to the Plan participants, but are instead held in a unitized fund consisting primarily of common stock and a small percentage of short-term investments. Participants acquire units of this fund.

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