

TEXTRON INC

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FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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CIK	0000217346
Symbol	TXT
SIC Code	6162 - Mortgage Bankers and Loan Correspondents
Fiscal Year	01/02

FORM 4

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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(f) of the
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FRENCH TED R <small>(Last) (First) (Middle)</small> TEXTRON INC., 40 WESTMINSTER STREET <small>(Street)</small> PROVIDENCE, RI 02903 <small>(City) (State) (Zip)</small>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TEXTRON INC [TXT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <p align="center">12/31/2008</p>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Executive Vice President & CFO 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Phantom Stock	(1)	12/31/2008		A	V	549.065		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	549.065	\$42.80	5278.531 (3)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Each share of phantom stock is valued based upon the value of one (1) share of Textron Inc. Common Stock.
- (2) Payable in cash upon the conclusion of Reporting Person's employment with Textron Inc.
- (3) Acquired pursuant to the Textron Spillover Savings Plan (formerly, the Supplemental Savings Plan for Textron Key Executives); total includes phantom shares acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions not required to be reported.

Remarks:

All share numbers and related prices have been adjusted to reflect Textron Inc.'s two-for-one Common Stock split which occurred on August 24, 2007.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRENCH TED R				

TEXTRON INC. 40 WESTMINSTER STREET PROVIDENCE, RI 02903		Executive Vice President & CFO	
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Signatures

/s/ Ann T. Willaman, Attorney-in-Fact

1/5/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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