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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	(3)													
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Babe Gregory S.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) TWO NORTHSHORE CENTER				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2011											
(Street) PITTSBURGH, PA 15212			4	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 _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				ine)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Babe Gregory S. TWO NORTHSHORE CENTER PITTSBURGH, PA 15212	X					

Signatures

Gregory S. Babe	03/11/2011
**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).
- (1) Award of restricted stock made under the 1994 Director Fee Plan, as amended, subject to the agreement entered into under the Plan. In general, the shares vest on the second anniversary of the award.
- **(2)** 1 for 1.
- (3) Formula award made under the 1994 Director Fee Plan, as amended, based on market price at time of award.
- Payments on phantom stock units commence on April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the reporting person ceases to be a member of the Board of Directors.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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