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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Clift Matthew</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O TEMPUR-PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC.</u> <u>1713 JAGGIE FOX WAY</u>  (Street) <u>LEXINGTON KY 40511</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>TEMPUR PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC</u> [ TPX ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP, Global Operations</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/21/2010</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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			
Common Stock	12/21/2010		M		75,000	A <sup>(1)</sup>	\$19.3	98,834	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2010		S		75,000	D <sup>(1)</sup>	\$40.01	23,834	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. Transaction 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 (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
Stock Option	\$19.3	12/21/2010		M			75,000	(2)	12/01/2014	Common Stock	75,000	\$0	100,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 1, 2010 in order to cause the applicable sales to fall within the scope of Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Rule 10b5-1 trading plan contains specific instructions to sell shares pursuant to the exercise of options if the price of the Issuer's common stock exceeds a pre-determined price per share.
- Twenty-five percent of the total aggregate number of options granted became exercisable on December 1, 2005. The remaining options became fully vested pursuant to a stock sale restriction agreement dated December 15, 2005 between the reporting person and the issuer. The agreement restricts the reporting person's sale of common stock purchased pursuant to this option, which restriction lapses in twelve successive equal quarterly installments, which began on March 1, 2006. All restrictions lapsed by December 1, 2008.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Matthew D. Clift 12/23/2010

\*\* 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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