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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>JOHNSON LEIPOLD HELEN P</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O JOHNSON KELAND MANAGEMENT, INC.</u> <u>555 MAIN STREET</u>  (Street) <u>RACINE WI 53403</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC [ JOUT ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chairman of the Board &amp; CEO</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/08/2011</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**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			
Class A Common Stock	12/08/2011		M		30,000	A	\$0	250,951	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Class A Common Stock								903,465	I	As settlor <sup>(2)</sup>
Class A Common Stock								250,872	I	As trustee <sup>(3)(4)</sup>

**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						Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$7.4175	12/08/2011		M			30,000	12/13/2004	12/13/2011	Class A Common Stock	30,000	\$0	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Helen P. Johnson-Leipold reports direct ownership of these shares, which she holds (a) personally, (b) as the sole shareholder of a certain corporation that holds shares, and (c) as restricted stock awards. 30,000 shares issued to Helen P. Johnson-Leipold upon the exercise of stock options reported on this Form 4 were subsequently transferred to one of the Trusts (as defined in Footnote 2 below). Such transferred shares are included below in the "Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions" under Ms. Johnson-Leipold's indirect holdings as settlor.
- Helen P. Johnson-Leipold reports these shares as settlor of and beneficiary of certain trusts (collectively, the "Trusts").
- Ms. Johnson-Leipold reports these shares as settlor and beneficiary of the Trusts, which beneficially own reported shares directly or indirectly as a shareholder of certain corporations and as the general partner of certain limited partnerships (collectively, the "Controlling Entities").
- Ms. Johnson-Leipold reports all shares held by certain corporations of which the Trusts referenced above may be deemed to be controlling shareholders. In addition, Ms. Johnson-Leipold reports all shares held by certain limited partnerships of which one of the Trusts is a general partner. Due to the nature of such limited partnerships, it is impractical to determine each Trust's or other trusts' proportionate interest (as defined by Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B)) in such limited partnerships. Ms. Johnson-Leipold disclaims beneficial ownership in all shares held by the Controlling Entities in which she does not have a pecuniary interest.

/s/ Helen P. Johnson Leipold      12/08/2011

\*\* 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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