

SOUTHWALL TECHNOLOGIES INC /DE/  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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(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 SOLUTIA INC		(Month/Day/Year)	SOUTHWALL TECHNOLOGIES INC /DE/ [SWTX]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
		10/06/2011		
575 MARYVILLE CENTRE DRIVE,Â P.O. BOX 66760			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
			<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
ST. LOUIS,Â MOÂ 63166-6760			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<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	0	I	See footnote <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	27,509	D <u>(3)</u>	Â

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SOLUTIA INC 575 MARYVILLE CENTRE DRIVE P.O. BOX 66760 ST. LOUIS, MO 63166-6760	Â	Â X	Â	Â

## Signatures

Paul J. Berra, III, Senior Vice President,  
Legal and Governmental Affairs and  
General Counsel

10/17/2011

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

D. John Srivisal, Vice President

10/17/2011

\_\_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).

On October 6, 2011, Solutia Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Parent"), Backbone Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent ("Purchaser"), and Southwall Technologies Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, and upon the terms and subject to the conditions thereof, Parent has agreed to cause Purchaser to commence a tender offer to acquire all of the shares of the Company's common stock for a purchase price of \$13.60 per share in cash.

Parent and Purchaser may be deemed to have shared voting power of 62.9% (4,694,780 shares) of the Company's outstanding common stock pursuant to the Tender and Support Agreements (the "Support Agreements"), dated as of October 6, 2011, by and among Parent, Purchaser, the Company and certain stockholders of the Company. See the Schedule 13D filed by Parent on October 17, 2011. Neither Parent nor Purchaser has any pecuniary interest in any shares of common stock of the Company covered by the Support Agreements and each expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of any such shares.

(3) Parent acquired 27,509 shares of the Company's common stock in open market purchases on or prior to May 28, 1999 using cash on hand.

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