

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
EMERSON ELECTRIC CO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

8000 W. FLORISSANT AVE.

(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63136

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/21/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___X___ 10% Owner
___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 | 03/21/2006 | | S | 15,000 D \$ 22.7031 (1) (2) | 7,581,711 | I | Through a subsidiary (3) |
| Common Stock | 03/22/2006 | | S | 15,000 D \$ 22.4759 (4) (5) | 7,566,711 | I | Through a subsidiary (3) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,065,182 | D (6) | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| EMERSON ELECTRIC CO 8000 W. FLORISSANT AVE. ST. LOUIS, MO 63136 | | X | | |
| ASTECH AMERICA INC 5810 VAN ALLEN WAY CARLSBAD, CA 92008 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Harley M. Smith, Assistant Secretary for Emerson Electric Co. 03/23/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Harley M. Smith, Secretary for Astec America Inc. 03/23/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on March 21, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 2 below: 300 shares at \$22.34; 200 at \$22.35; 100 at \$22.37; 200 at \$22.38; 100 at \$22.39; 700 at \$22.40; 100 at \$22.41; 100 at \$22.46; 200 at \$22.51; 600 at \$22.52; 100 at \$22.54; 200 at \$22.60; 300 at \$22.62; 200 at \$22.63; 2,000 at \$22.64; 900 at \$22.65; 500 at \$22.66; 100 at \$22.67; 300 at \$22.68; 500 at \$22.69; 2,100 at \$22.70; 100 at \$22.72; 200 at \$22.74; 300 at \$22.75; and 200 at \$22.76.

(2) This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 1, as follows: 400 shares at \$22.77; 200 at \$22.78; 100 at \$22.79; 100 at \$22.83; 200 at \$22.86; 100 at \$22.87; 385 at \$22.88; 15 at \$22.89; 200 at \$22.90; 100 at \$22.91; 100 at

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\$22.93; 400 at \$22.94; 200 at \$22.95; 300 at \$22.97; 500 at \$22.99; 600 at \$23.00; and 500 at \$23.05. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$22.7031 per share.

- (3) The reported securities are owned directly by Astec America Inc. The Reporting Person is the ultimate parent company of Astec America Inc.
- The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on March 22, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 5 below:
- (4) 100 shares at \$22.30; 200 at \$22.31; 100 at \$22.33; 100 at \$22.34; 200 at \$22.36; 200 at \$22.37; 300 at \$22.38; 500 at \$22.39; 1,200 at \$22.40; 429 at \$22.41; 400 at \$22.42; 471 at \$22.43; 800 at \$22.44; 1,000 at \$22.45; 1,300 at \$22.46; 500 at \$22.47; 500 at \$22.48; 700 at \$22.49; 500 at \$22.50; 700 at \$22.51; 900 at \$22.52; 600 at \$22.53; 900 at \$22.54; 392 at \$22.55; and 502 at \$22.56.
- This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 4, as follows: 600 shares at \$22.57; 100 at \$22.58; 100 at \$22.59; 200 at \$22.61; 100 at \$22.63; 400 at \$22.64; and 6 at \$22.65. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$22.4759 per share.
- (5) The reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.
- (6) The reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.

Remarks:

See Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

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