FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

			or Section 30(II) or the investment Company Act or 1940	
1. Name and Address <u>EMERSON EI</u>	. 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director
(Last) (First) (Middle) 8000 W. FLORISSANT AVE.		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2006	Officer (give title Other (specify below)
(Street) ST. LOUIS (City)	MO (State)	63136 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X 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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	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	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(11150.4)
Common Stock	03/21/2006		S		15,000	D	\$22.7031 ⁽¹⁾	7,581,711	I	Through a subsidiary ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	03/22/2006		S		15,000	D	\$22.4759 ⁽⁴⁾	7,566,711	I	Through a subsidiary ⁽³⁾
Common Stock								1,065,182	D ⁽⁶⁾	

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. Transac Code (li 8)	ction Derivative E		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	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
1. Name and Addre		J													
(Last) 8000 W. FLOR	(Firs	,	(Middle)												

(Street) ST. LOUIS MO 63136 (City) (State) (Zip) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* **ASTEC AMERICA INC** (Last) (First) (Middle) 5810 VAN ALLEN WAY (Street) **CARLSBAD** CA 92008

Explanation of Responses:

(City)

- 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 \$22.35; 100 at \$22.35; 100 at \$22.35; 100 at \$22.38; 100 at \$22.39; 700 at \$22.40; 100 at \$22.40; 100 at \$22.41; 100 at \$22.52; 100 at \$22.70; 100 at \$22.70; 100 at \$22.70; 200 at \$2
- 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 \$22.86; 100 at \$22.86; 100 at \$22.87; 385 at \$22.88; 15 at \$22.89; 200 at \$22.91; 100 at \$22.91; 100 at \$22.91; 100 at \$22.93; 400 at \$22.95; 300 at \$22.95; 300 at \$22.99; 600 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.

(Zip)

- 4. The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on March 22, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 5 below: 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 \$22.38; 500 at \$22.39; 1,200 at \$22.49; 429 at \$22.49; 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 \$22.51; 900
- 5. 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.
- 6. The reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.

(State)

Remarks:

See Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

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

03/23/2006

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

03/23/2006

** 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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Joint Filer Information

Astec America Inc., 5810 Van Allen Way, Carlsbad, California 92008, has designated Emerson Electric Co. as the "Designated Filer" for the purposes of the attached Form 4.

Issuer & Ticker Symbol: MKS Instruments, Inc. (MKSI)

Date of Events Requiring Statement: 03/21/06

03/22/06

Signature: /s/ Harley M. Smith

By: Harley M. Smith, Assistant Secretary

of Emerson Electric Co.

Signature: /s/ Harley M. Smith

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of Astec America Inc.