# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>EMERSON ELECTRIC CO</u>			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MKS INSTRUMENTS INC</u> [ MKSI ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner
(Last) 8000 W. FLORI	(First) SSANT AVE.	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2006	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
(Street) ST LOUIS (City)	MO (State)	63136 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>

### 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	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/23/2006		S		15,000	D	\$22.8484 <sup>(1)</sup>	7,551,711	Ι	Through a subsidiary <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	03/24/2006		s		15,000	D	\$23.2594 <sup>(4)</sup>	7,536,711	Ι	Through a subsidiary <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock								1,065,182	D <sup>(6)</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)		Expiration Date		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)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

#### 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person<sup>\*</sup> EMERSON ELECTRIC CO

(City)	(State)				
(Street) CARLSBAD	СА	92008			
5810 VAN ALLE	N WAY				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)			
1. Name and Address <u>ASTEC AME</u>	of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup>				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			
(Street) ST LOUIS	МО	63136			
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8000 W. FLORIS	SANT AVE.				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)			
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#### Explanation of Responses:

1. The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on March 23, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 2 below: 100 shares at \$22.36; 100 at \$22.47; 200 at \$22.47; 100 at \$22.58; 100 at \$22.58; 100 at \$22.58; 100 at \$22.59; 400 at \$22.60; 200 at \$22.60; 200 at \$22.66; 100 at \$22.66; 100 at \$22.70; 300 at \$22.71; 600 at \$22.73; 200 at \$22.74; 262 at \$22.78; 1,000 at \$22.79; 638 at \$22.80; 500 at \$22.81; 300 at \$22.82; 200 at \$22.83; 500 at \$22.84; 600 at \$22.85; 900 at \$22.85; 900 at \$22.87; 900 at \$22.87; 900 at \$22.87; 000 at \$22.89.

2. This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 1, as follows: 700 shares at \$22.90; 706 at \$22.91; 200 at \$22.92; 476 at \$22.93; 300 at \$22.94; 200 at \$22.95; 300 at \$22.96; 400 at \$22.97; 200 at \$23.05; 900 at \$23.05; 900 at \$23.05; 900 at \$23.05; 900 at \$23.05; 100 at \$23.11; 200 at \$23.11; 200 at \$23.15. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$22.8484 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.

4. The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on March 24 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 5 below: 100 shares at \$22.98; 400 at \$23.00; 300 at \$23.01; 500 at \$23.02; 200 at \$23.03; 100 at \$23.06; 600 at \$23.07; 400 at \$23.08; 400 at \$23.20; 200 at \$23.11; 100 at \$23.12; 300 at \$23.12; 500 at \$23.12; 500 at \$23.21; 200 at \$23.22; 100 at \$23.22; 200 at \$23

5. This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 4, as follows: 300 shares at \$23.29; 450 at \$23.31; 400 at \$23.32; 250 at \$23.33; 400 at \$23.35; 200 at \$23.36; 630 at \$23.37; 800 at \$23.38; 800 at \$23.39; 200 at \$23.40; 710 at \$23.41; 1,200 at \$23.42; 400 at \$23.42; 400 at \$23.44; and 300 at \$23.46. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$23.2594 per share. 6. The reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.

 /s/ Harley M. Smith, Assistant
 03/27/2006

 Secretary for Emerson Electric Co.
 (s/ Harley M. Smith, Secretary for Astec America Inc.

 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person
 Date

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

 $^{\star}$  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:	03/23/06
	03/24/06

By:

Signature:

/s/ Harley M. Smith

Harley M. Smith, Assistant Secretary of Emerson Electric Co.

Signature:

/s/ Harley M. Smith

By: Harley M. Smith, Secretary of Astec America Inc.