FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ss of Reporting Person [*] ELECTRIC CO		2. Issuer Name and 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. FLOR	8000 W. FLORISSANT AVE. Street)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/13/2006	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Street) ST LOUIS			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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 A Of (D) (Instr. 3,		a) or Disposed	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
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/13/2006		s		15,000	D	\$23.2552 ⁽¹⁾	7,326,711	Ι	Through a subsidiary ⁽³⁾
Common Stock								1,065,182	D ⁽⁴⁾	

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	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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(Instr.	Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
1. Name and Addre		•													
(Last) 8000 W. FLOR	(Firs ISSANT AV	,	(Middle)												
(Street) ST LOUIS	МО		63136												
(City)	(Stat	e)	(Zip)		_										
1. Name and Addre	•	-													
(Last) (First) (Middle 5810 VAN ALLEN WAY			(Middle)												
(Street) CARLSBAD	СА		92008		_										

Explanation of Responses:

1. The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on April 13, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 2 below: 200 shares at \$23.00; 600 at \$23.03; 500 at \$23.04; 200 at \$23.06; 400 at \$23.09; 300 at \$23.10; 300 at \$23.10; 300 at \$23.12; 200 at \$23.12; 100 at \$23.12; 200 at \$23.22; 200 at \$2

2. This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 1, as follows: 100 shares at \$23.31; 400 at \$23.32; 400 at \$23.33; 1,418 at \$23.34; 700 at \$23.35; 600 at \$23.36; 500 at \$23.37; 100 at \$23.38; 300 at \$23.39; 305 at \$23.39; 305 at \$23.40; 300 at \$23.41; 200 at \$23.42; 100 at \$23.43; 400 at \$23.45; 100 at \$23.46; 99 at \$23.49; 100 at \$23.52; 100 at \$23.54; and 200 at \$23.55. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$23.2552 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 reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.

(State)

Remarks:

(City)

See Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

/s/ Harley M. Smith, Secretary for 04/17/2006

Astec America Inc. ** 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:

Date of Event Requiring Statement:

Signature:

/s/ Harley M. Smith

By:

By:

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

MKS Instruments, Inc. (MKSI)

Signature:

/s/ Harley M. Smith

04/13/06

Harley M. Smith, Secretary of Astec America Inc.