FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	e and Address of Reporting Person*  RSON ELECTRIC CO  (First) (Middle)  W. FLORISSANT AVE.		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [ MKSI ]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director X 10% Owner
(Last) 8000 W. FLORISS	` '	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/17/2006	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)	Transaction Code (Instr.				Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Transaction Code (Instr.		Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		b) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported (Instr. 4)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)																							
Common Stock	04/17/2006		S		15,000	D	\$22.8708 <sup>(1)</sup>	7,311,711	I	Through a subsidiary <sup>(3)</sup>																							
Common Stock	04/18/2006		S		15,000	D	\$23.2776 <sup>(4)</sup>	7,296,711	I	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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (li 8)		5. Num Derivat Securit Acquire or Disp (D) (Ins and 5)	ive ies ed (A) osed of	6. Date Exerc Expiration Day/\(\text{Month/Day/\(\text{V}\)}\)	ate	7. Title and Ar Securities Un Derivative Sec 3 and 4)	derlying	Derivative	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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 Addre	ss of Reportin	ng Person*														-

1. Name and Address EMERSON E			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
8000 W. FLORIS	SANT AVE.		
(Street)			
ST LOUIS	MO	63136	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ASTEC AMERICA INC			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
5810 VAN ALLE	N WAY		
(Street)			
CARLSBAD	CA	92008	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	

# Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on April 17, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 2 below: 300 shares at \$22.57; 400 at \$22.58; 300 at \$22.58; 1,400 at \$22.59; 1,400 at \$22.60; 300 at \$22.61; 878 at \$22.63; 300 at \$22.64; 100 at \$22.65; 500 at \$22.66; 200 at \$22.67; 400 at \$22.67; 400 at \$22.77; 200 at \$22.77; 200 at \$22.77; 200 at \$22.84; 100 at \$22.77; 200 at \$22.84; 100 at \$22.91; 340 at \$22.92; 360 at \$22.93; 300 at \$22.94; 527 at \$22.95; 500 at \$22.96; 400 at \$22.97; and 200 at \$22.99.
- 2. This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 1, as follows: 400 shares at \$23.01; 700 at \$23.02; 100 at \$23.03; 100 at \$23.04; 500 at \$23.05; 200 at \$23.09; 200 at \$23.10; 336 at \$23.11; 300 at \$23.12; 500 at \$23.13; 300 at \$23.14; 300 at \$23.16; 100 at \$23.18; 200 at \$23.19; 200 at \$23.20; 400 at \$23.24; 100 at \$23.25; 100 at \$23.31; 100 at \$23.32; and 100 at \$23.33. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$22.8708 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 April 18, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 5 below: 200 shares at \$22.62; 200 at \$22.87; 100 at \$22.87; 100 at \$22.89; 100 at \$22.99; 100 at \$22.91; 200 at \$22.92; 100 at \$22.93; 200 at \$22.94; 300 at \$22.94; 300 at \$22.95; 500 at \$22.97; 200 at \$23.07; 400 at \$23.09; 400 at \$23.09; 400 at \$23.10; 200 at \$23.12; 100 at \$23.13; 500 at \$23.14; 200 at \$23.15; 200 at \$23.16; 200 at \$23.18; 200 at \$23.18; 200 at \$23.22; 100 at \$23.23; and 300 at \$23.25.

5. This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 4, as follows: 300 shares at \$23.26; 300 at \$23.27; 200 at \$23.28; 100 at \$23.29; 300 at \$23.31; 400 at \$23.33; 400 at \$23.34; 100 at \$23.35; 500 at \$23.40; 200 at \$23.40; 200 at \$23.41; 700 at \$23.45; 300 at \$23.45; 300

6. The reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.

#### Remarks:

See Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

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

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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: 04/17/06

04/18/06

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.