FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ess of Reporting Perso		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
				Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) 8000 W. FLOR	(First) USSANT AVE.	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/21/2006	below) below)
(Street) ST LOUIS	МО	63136	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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		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	04/21/2006		S		15,000	D	\$24.2383 ⁽¹⁾	7,251,711	Ι	Through a subsidiary ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	04/24/2006		s		15,000	D	\$24.1183 ⁽³⁾	7,236,711	Ι	Through a subsidiary ⁽²⁾
Common Stock								1,065,182	D ⁽⁵⁾	

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
8000 W. FLORIS	SANT AVE.		
(Street)			
ST LOUIS	МО	63136	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	
1. Name and Address <u>ASTEC AMEI</u>			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
5810 VAN ALLE	N WAY		
(Street)			
CARLSBAD	CA	92008	
(City)	(State)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on April 21, 2006, as follows: 1,600 shares at \$24.00; 200 at \$24.14; 100 at \$24.15; 230 at \$24.17; 2,200 at \$24.18; 270 at \$24.18; 170 at \$24.20; 800 at \$24.21; 600 at \$24.22; 100 at \$24.22; 100 at \$24.24; 899 at \$24.25; 700 at \$24.26; 1,274 at \$24.27; 600 at \$24.28; 126 at \$24.29; 200 at \$24.30; 400 at \$24.31; 594 at \$24.38; 106 at \$24.39; 1,200 at \$24.40; 200 at \$24.41; 100 at \$24.42; 200 at \$24.42; 200 at \$24.43; 100 at \$24.44; 200 at \$24.44; 200 at \$24.46; 100 at \$24.47; and 200 at \$24.51. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$24.238 per share.

2. The reported securities are owned directly by Astec America Inc. The Reporting Person is the ultimate parent company of Astec America Inc.

3. The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on April 24, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 4 below: 200 shares at \$23.87; 200 at \$23.91; 400 at \$23.92; 200 at \$23.93; 200 at \$23.95; 500 at \$23.96; 800 at \$23.97; 300 at \$23.99; 600 at \$24.00; 800 at \$24.01; 500 at \$24.02; 400 at \$24.03; 200 at \$24.05; 200 at \$24.06; 400 at \$24.07; 400 at \$24.08; 200 at \$24.09; 200 at \$24.10; 200 at \$24.11; 200 at \$24.12; 200 at \$24.14.

4. This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 3, as follows: 400 shares at \$24.16; 192 at \$24.17; 300 at \$24.18; 408 at \$24.19; 100 at \$24.20; 800 at \$24.21; 200 at \$24.22; 500 at \$24.23; 800 at \$24.24; 1,400 at \$24.25; 300 at \$24.24; 200 at \$24.28; 200 at \$24.29; 300 at \$24.30; and 200 at \$24.30; a

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

Remarks:

 /s/ Harley M. Smith, Assistant
 04/25/2006

 Secretary for Emerson Electric Co.
 04/25/2006

 /s/ Harley M. Smith, Secretary for
 04/25/2006

 Astec America Inc.
 04/25/2006

 ** 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:	04/21/06 04/24/06

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.