

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC
Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
EMERSON ELECTRIC CO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

8000 W. FLORISSANT AVE.

(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63136

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSII]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/13/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___X___ 10% Owner
___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

6. 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. 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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 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 |
| Common Stock | 03/13/2006 | | S | | 15,000 | D | \$ 22.0823 (1) |
| | | | | | | | 7,871,711 |
| | | | | | | | I |
| | | | | | | | Through a subsidiary (2) |
| Common Stock | 03/14/2006 | | S | | 15,000 | D | \$ 22.8951 (3) (4) |
| | | | | | | | 7,856,711 |
| | | | | | | | I |
| | | | | | | | Through a subsidiary (2) |
| Common Stock | 03/14/2006 | | G(5) | V | 200,000 | D | (6) |
| | | | | | | | 7,656,711 |
| | | | | | | | I |
| | | | | | | | Through a subsidiary (2) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,065,182 |
| | | | | | | | D (7) |

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

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| EMERSON ELECTRIC CO 8000 W. FLORISSANT AVE. ST. LOUIS, MO 63136 | | X | | |
| ASTEAMERICA INC 5810 VAN ALLEN WAY CARLSBAD, CA 92008 | | X | | |

Signatures

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|---|------------|
| /s/ Harley M. Smith, Assistant Secretary for Emerson Electric Co. | 03/15/2006 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
| /s/ Harley M. Smith, Secretary for Astec America Inc. | 03/15/2006 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on March 13, 2006, as follows: 100 shares at \$21.88; 300 at \$21.95; 500 at \$21.96; 100 at \$21.97; 200 at \$21.98; 300 at \$21.99; 1,045 at \$22.00; 600 at \$22.01; 900 at \$22.02; 600 at \$22.03; 1,000 at \$22.04; 600 at \$22.05; 1,400 at \$22.06; 900 at \$22.07; 200 at \$22.08; 686 at \$22.09; 1,000 at \$22.10; 314 at \$22.11; 200 at \$22.12; 200 at \$22.15;

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400 at \$22.16; 700 at \$22.17; 500 at \$22.18; 355 at \$22.19; 500 at \$22.20; 200 at \$22.21; 300 at \$22.22; 200 at \$22.23; 300 at \$22.24; and 400 at \$22.25. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$22.0823 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.

The sales were effected in multiple transactions, at varying prices, on March 14, 2006, as follows and as described in Footnote 4 below:

- (3) 500 shares at \$21.92; 200 at \$22.20; 100 at \$22.34; 200 at \$22.36; 200 at \$22.42; 100 at \$22.44; 200 at \$22.49; 200 at \$22.58; 200 at \$22.62; 100 at \$22.63; 200 at \$22.65; 200 at \$22.66; 100 at \$22.67; 200 at \$22.68; 500 at \$22.70; 200 at \$22.71; 200 at \$22.72; 400 at \$22.73; 100 at \$22.74; 100 at \$22.75; 100 at \$22.77; 200 at \$22.79; 400 at \$22.80; 100 at \$22.88; 300 at \$22.89; 200 at \$22.90; 200 at \$22.91; 200 at \$22.92; 500 at \$22.93; 107 at \$22.94; and 300 at \$22.95.

This footnote sets forth additional detail with respect to the transactions described in Footnote 3, as follows: 593 shares at \$22.97; 100 at

- (4) \$22.98; 1,000 at \$22.99; 400 at \$23.00; 200 at \$23.01; 300 at \$23.03; 400 at \$23.05; 100 at \$23.08; 300 at \$23.09; 600 at \$23.10; 500 at \$23.11; 500 at \$23.12; 800 at \$23.14; 300 at \$23.15; 400 at \$23.16; 800 at \$23.17; 200 at \$23.18; 100 at \$23.19; 300 at \$23.20; 200 at \$23.22; and 100 at \$23.23. The weighted average sales price for these transactions was \$22.8951 per share.

- (5) Bona fide gift to the Emerson Charitable Trust.
- (6) Price is not applicable to acquisitions or dispositions resulting from bona fide gifts.
- (7) The reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.

Remarks:

See Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

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