MKS INSTRUMENTS INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction								
0000 W. ELODIGGANE AVE			(Month/Day/Year)					Director Officer (give	X 10 ^t	% Owner er (specify	
8000 W. FLORISSANT AVE.			04/13/2006					below) below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			-					Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ST LOUIS	-					_X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	or Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of	Price	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)	
Common Stock	04/13/2006			S	15,000	D	\$ 23.2552 (1) (2)	7,326,711	I	Through a subsidiary (3)	
Common Stock								1,065,182	D (4)		

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
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	•				(A) or						Repo
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					4, and 5)						
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Harley M. Smith, Assistant Secretary for Emerson 04/17/2006 Electric Co. **Signature of Reporting Person Date /s/ Harley M. Smith, Secretary for Astec America Inc. 04/17/2006 **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).

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 \$23.08; 200 at \$23.09; 300 at \$23.10; 300 at \$23.12; 200 at \$23.13; 1,000 at \$23.14; 200 at \$23.16; 100 at \$23.17; 500 at \$23.18; 681 at \$23.19; 500 at \$23.20; 600 at \$23.22; 100 at \$23.23; 200 at \$23.24; 600 at \$23.25; 200 at \$23.26; 97 at \$23.27; 400 at \$23.28; 200 at \$23.29; and 300 at \$23.30.

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 \$23.40; 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.

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Reporting Owners 2

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

(4) The reported securities are owned directly by Emerson Electric Co.

Remarks:

See Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

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