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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| Instruction 1(b). |
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|----------|--|--|--|--------|-----------------------|--|--|
| EMERSON ELECTRIC CO | | <u>)</u> | MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI] | Check | Director | Х | 10% Owner | | |
| | 3000 W FLORISSANT AVE | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2004 | | Officer (give title below) | | Other (specify below) | | |
| P O BOX 4100 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) | lividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | X | Form filed by One R | eport | ing Person | | |
| ST LOUIS | MO | 63136 | | | Form filed by More t Person | than C | One Reporting | | |
| (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) | ate, Transacti Code (Ins | | | | ransaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Securities Eode (Instr.)) Owned Followir | | Securities | 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 | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130.4) | | |
| Common Stock | 01/23/2004 | | S | | 257,143 | D | \$25.0687 | 1,065,182 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 8,963,389 | I ⁽¹⁾ | through a subsidiary | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|--|---------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| 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. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5 | ative rities ired osed | Expiration Da | Expiration Date / (Month/Day/Year) S | | | Expiration Date Amount of | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Expiration Exercisable Date | | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

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

Remarks:

Please see attached Joint Filer Information.

| /s/ Harley M. Smith, Assistant | |
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| Secretary of Emerson Electric | 01/26/2004 |
| <u>Co.</u> | |
| <u>/s/ Harley M. Smith, Secretary</u> | 01/26/2004 |
| <u>of Astec America, Inc.</u> | |
| ** Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Signature of Reporting Person

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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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 Event Requiring Statement: 01/23/04

Signature: <u>/s/ Harley M. Smith</u> By: Harley M. Smith, Assistant Secretary of Emerson Electric Co.

Signature: <u>/s/ Harley M. Smith</u> By: Harley M. Smith, Secretary of Astec America, Inc.