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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>COLELLA GERARD G</u>			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MKS INSTRUMENTS INC</u> [ MKSI ]		ionship of Reporting Person( all applicable) Director Officer (give title	s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) 2 TECH DRIVE	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2012	А	below) VP, Chief Operating	below) Officer
(Street) ANDOVER (City)	MA (State)	01810 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Cf Form filed by One Reportin Form filed by More than Or	g 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.4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Code (Instr.			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/28/2012		М		3,941.816	A	(1)	3,967.088	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2012		М		2,775	A	(1)	6,742.088	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2012		F <sup>(2)</sup>		2,130	D	\$30.63	4,612.088	D	

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. Transa Code ( 8)		Deri Sec Acq or D	umber of vative urities uired (A) isposed of Instr. 3, 4 5)	Expiration Date Sec (Month/Day/Year) De		te Securities Underlying		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)		
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/28/2012		М			3,941.816	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,941.816	(1)	35,104.521	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/28/2012		М			2,775	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	2,775	(1)	24,670.04	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of MKS Instruments, Inc.

2. This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.

3. These RSUs are subject to the achievement of performance criteria determined in the first year of the grant and thereafter vests in equal annual installments over three years.

4. The RSUs vest in equal annual installments over three years.

/s/ Kathleen F. Burke POA	03/01/2012
** 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).

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