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# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	ss of Reporting Perso	on*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MKS INSTRUMENTS INC</u> [ MKSI ]	(Check	tionship of Reporting Perso ( all applicable) Director Officer (give title	10% Owner Other (specify below)
(Last) 2 TECH DRIVE	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2009	X	below) Chief Business Off	
(Street) ANDOVER (City)	MA (State)	01810 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than Person	rting 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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	03/10/2009		М		4,940	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	18,168	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009		<b>F</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1,569	D	\$12.19	16,599	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)		of Deri Sec Acq (A) ( Disp of (I	oosed D) tr. 3, 4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) sed 3, 4		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 Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	03/10/2009		М			4,940	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	4,940	\$0	16,615 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. This transaction is effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

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

3. One half of RSUs shall vest in equal annual installments over three years, and the other half shall be subject to the achievement of performance criteria and thereafter shall vest in equal annual installments over three years.

4. This number reflects the forfeiture of RSUs due to performance criteria.

### /s/Renee M. Donlan POA

03/12/2009

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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