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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| | | n* | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MKS INSTRUMENTS INC</u> [MKSI] | | ationship of Reporting Per (all applicable) Director | son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------|--|------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| (Last) 2 TECH DRIVE | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/16/2015 | | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) |
| (Street) ANDOVER (City) | MA (State) | 01810 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indir Line) X | vidual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha Person | orting 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) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Disposed Of 5) | | | 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) | | (113(11.4) |
| Common Stock | 04/16/2015 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 500 | D | \$33.9 | 17,336.548 | 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 | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 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 | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

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

/s/Renee M. Donlan POA

<u>04/17/2015</u> son 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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