FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Amon Cristina</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [ MKSI ]										olicable)	g Person(s) to	ssuer Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2 TECH DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2010									Offic belov	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify )
(Street) ANDOV (City)			)1810 Zip)		4. If	Amer	dment	, Date (	of Origina	al File	d (Month/Da	ay/Year)		6. Indi Line) X	Forn	n filed by One n filed by Mor	o Filing (Check of the Reporting Per re than One Re	son
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative/	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	l, Dis	sposed o	f, or E	Benef	cially	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)  Common Stock  12/15/20				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			and 5) Securi Benefi		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
							Code	v	Amount	(A) o	r Pric	e	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
			2010	)10		S		1,665	D \$22		2.17 <sup>(1)</sup>	1	.8,445	D				
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				wned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	med on Date, Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo	r osed ) :. 3, 4	6. Date Expirati (Month)	ion Da		7. Title Amour Securit Underl Derivat Securit and 4)	it of ies ying ive	Deri Sec (Ins	rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$22.17 to \$22.18. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide, upon request, the full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

> /s/Renee M. Donlan POA 12/16/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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