## 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>ANDERSON ROBERT R</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol   MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [ MKSI ]									ationship of Reporting all applicable) Director		g Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner		
(Last) 2 TECH	•	rst) (	(Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2012										Other below)	(specify
(Street) ANDOV			)1810 Zip)		_ 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Execution Date,		Oate,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Disposed O					nd 5) Secu Bene		icially d Following	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		Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)			(1130.4)
Common Stock 02/22					2012	012			S		5,000	D \$31		385 <sup>(1)</sup>	16,000			D	
		Та	ble II								osed of, convertib				vned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	tive Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			ion Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Deriv Secu (Inst		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)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci:	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$31.34 to \$31.48 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.

> 02/23/2012 /s/Renee M. Donlan POA

\*\* 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).
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