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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. Nume and Address of Reporting Ferson		Person*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [ MKSI ]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
BERLINGHIERI LEO				X	Director	10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2 TECH DRIVE		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	<b>-</b> x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)				
		(,	03/16/2010	President and CEO						
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fili	ing (Check Applicable				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—		Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting				

### 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.					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	03/16/2010		М		8,526	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	56,865	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2010		М		6,090	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	62,955	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2010		F <sup>(1)</sup>		4,642	D	\$19.29	58,313	D	
Common Stock	03/17/2010		S		23,300	D	<b>\$19.02</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	35,013	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 Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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				
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	03/16/2010		М			8,526	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	8,526	\$0	68,589	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	03/16/2010		М			6,090	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	6,090	\$0	53,380	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

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

2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$18.91 to 19.11. 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.

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

4. 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.

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

#### <u>/s/Renee M. Donlan POA</u>

03/18/2010

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $\ast$  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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