Eyerman Paul Form 4 February 24, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

Eyerman Paul

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Middle)

C/O 2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201

(Street)

ANDOVER, MA 01810

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]

(Month/Day/Year)

02/23/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

> (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8		Acquired (A) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, and	D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/23/2012		A		3,178.64		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	3,178.6
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/23/2012		A		4,767.959		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	4,767.95

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Eyerman Paul C/O 2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201 ANDOVER, MA 01810

VP & GM, ENI and Medical

Signatures

/s/Renee M.
Donlan POA

02/24/2012

**Signature of Reporting Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of MKS Instruments, Inc.
- (2) The RSUs vest in equal annual installments over three years
- (3) 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.

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