INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC

Form 4

February 16, 2016

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETELLE JAMES F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIIN]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1373 BOGGS DRIVE			02/12/2016	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
				below) below) Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030		0		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	02/12/2016		Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	D	
Stock	02/12/2010		1	0//	D	24.65	13,024	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2016		S	1,266	D	\$ 24.67	12,558	D	
Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units)							11,324	D	

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 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.95					<u>(1)</u>	02/11/2026	Common Stock	4,315	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.15					<u>(1)</u>	02/19/2018	Common Stock	1,278	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.23					<u>(1)</u>	08/21/2022	Common Stock	1,832	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.06					<u>(1)</u>	02/21/2022	Common Stock	318	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.05					<u>(1)</u>	08/17/2025	Common Stock	5,743	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.96					<u>(1)</u>	02/17/2025	Common Stock	4,839	
Stock Option	\$ 20.5					<u>(1)</u>	08/12/2024	Common Stock	5,304	

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(Right to Buy)					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.08	<u>(1)</u>	02/12/2024	Common Stock	5,411
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.72	<u>(1)</u>	08/08/2021	Common Stock	4,808
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.22	<u>(1)</u>	08/12/2023	Common Stock	5,396
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.45	<u>(1)</u>	02/12/2023	Common Stock	5,230
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.43	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2021	Common Stock	4,693
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.69	<u>(1)</u>	08/19/2018	Common Stock	2,926
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.27	<u>(1)</u>	08/13/2017	Common Stock	2,178

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PETELLE JAMES F							
1373 BOGGS DRIVE			Vice President				
MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030							

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James F. Petelle 02/16/2016

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Options vest 1/3 annually beginning one year from grant date

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