

Barrow Kenneth S
Form 4
December 10, 2009

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Barrow Kenneth S

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BENCHMARK ELECTRONICS
INC [BHE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3000 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/09/2009

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
General Counsel

ANGLETON, TX 77515

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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
Common Stock	12/09/2009		A		5,000	A	\$ 0
					13,500		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)

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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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D S (I	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.11	12/09/2009		A		25,000		<u>(1)</u>	12/09/2019	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Barrow Kenneth S 3000 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE ANGLETON, TX 77515			General Counsel	

Signatures

Kenneth S.
Barrow

12/10/2009

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) The option are exercisable as to (i) 1,250 shares on December 09, 2010, (ii) 1,250 shares on December 09, 2011, (iii) 1,250 shares on December 9, 2012 and (iv) the remaining 1,250 shares on December 09, 2013

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