

PETELLE JAMES F
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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 *
 PETELLE JAMES F

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1373 BOGGS DRIVE
 (Street)

MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/19/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	02/19/2013		M		2,000	A	\$ 7.55
Common Stock	02/19/2013		S		2,000	D	\$ 16.938
Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units)							16,596

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. 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.55	02/19/2013		M	2,000	(1) 02/10/2019	Common Stock	2,000
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.45					(1) 02/12/2023	Common Stock	5,230
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.23					(1) 08/21/2022	Common Stock	8,242
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.06					(1) 02/21/2022	Common Stock	6,188
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.72					(1) 08/08/2021	Common Stock	5,670
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.43					(1) 02/08/2021	Common Stock	4,693
	\$ 9.16					(1) 08/09/2020		6,180

Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)				Common Stock	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy) (Common Stock)	\$ 9.39	(1)	02/09/2020	Common Stock	5,952
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.6	(1)	08/10/2019	Common Stock	4,393
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.15	(1)	02/19/2018	Common Stock	5,278
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.69	(1)	08/19/2018	Common Stock	2,926
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.11	(1)	02/13/2017	Common Stock	2,639
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.27	(1)	08/13/2017	Common Stock	2,178

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

James F. Petelle

02/20/2013

**Signature of
Reporting Person

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

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