

WOLTZ H O III  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
WOLTZ H O III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman, President and CEO

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/24/2009

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

(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  | (D)  | Price   |
| Common Stock                          | 11/24/2009                           |  | G                              |   | 3,500   | D  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units) | 02/09/2010                           |  | A                              |   | 15,974  | A  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock                          |                                      |  |                                |   | 60,029  | I  |   |
| Common Stock (Restricted)             |                                      |  |                                |   | 38,636  | I  |   |
|                                       |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | Custodial Account                                     |
|                                       |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | Restricted  |

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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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 9.39  | 02/09/2010                           |  | A                              | 32,468  | <u>(1)</u> 02/09/2020                                    | Common Stock  | 32,468                        |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 11.6  |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u> 08/10/2019                                    | Common Stock  | 23,962                        |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 7.55  |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u> 02/10/2019                                    | Common Stock  | 32,609                        |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 11.15   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u> 02/19/2018                                    | Common Stock  | 28,791                        |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 16.69   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u> 08/19/2018                                    | Common Stock  | 15,957                        |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 17.11   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u> 02/13/2017                                    | Common Stock  | 14,395                        |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 20.27   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u> 08/13/2017                                    | Common Stock  | 11,878                        |

|                                      |          |            |            |                 |        |
|--------------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 20.26 | <u>(1)</u> | 08/14/2007 | Common<br>Stock | 6,369  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 15.64 | <u>(1)</u> | 02/14/2016 | Common<br>Stock | 9,144  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 9.12  | <u>(1)</u> | 03/04/2015 | Common<br>Stock | 17,826 |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 6.89  | <u>(1)</u> | 07/26/2015 | Common<br>Stock | 11,532 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                            | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| WOLTZ H O III<br>1373 BOGGS DRIVE<br>MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030 | X             |           | Chairman, President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

James F. Petelle for H. O.  
Woltz III

02/10/2010

        \*\*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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