PETELLE JAMES F

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETELLE JAMES F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIIN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
1373 BOGGS DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2018	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (special below) Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Cip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/17/2018		Code V F	Amount 573	(D)	Price \$ 40.58		D	
Common Stock	08/17/2018		M	1,914	A	\$ 18.05	18,317	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2018		M	1,342	A	\$ 26.75	19,659	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2018		F	2,189	D	\$ 40.58	17,470	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2018		S	2,572	D	\$ 39.652	14,898	D	

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Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units)

7,226

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.05	08/17/2018		M	1,914	<u>(1)</u>	08/17/2025	Common Stock	1,914
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.75	08/17/2018		M	1,342	<u>(1)</u>	08/07/2027	Common Stock	1,342
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.85					<u>(1)</u>	08/13/2028	Common Stock	2,633
Common Stock (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.95					<u>(1)</u>	02/11/2026	Common Stock	2,877
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.22					<u>(1)</u>	08/12/2023	Common Stock	2,744

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.69	<u>(1)</u>	02/13/2028	Common Stock	3,585
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.06	<u>(1)</u>	02/07/2027	Common Stock	2,745
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.49	<u>(1)</u>	08/11/2026	Common Stock	3,241

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips				
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

PETELLE JAMES F 1373 BOGGS DRIVE MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

Vice President

Signatures

James F. Petelle 08/21/2018

**Signature of Person 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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