#### SHANNON MICHAEL L

Form 4

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### FORM 4

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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 * SHANNON MICHAEL L			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol KEY TECHNOLOGY INC [KTEC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
(Last)  C/O KEY TE INC., 150 AV			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
	(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				
WALLA WALLA, WA 99362				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivativo	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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)		sed of	` ′	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownersh Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (E) Following or Indirect Reported (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. 1)	
Common Stock	09/01/2010		S	500	D	\$ 12	47,848	D	
Common Stock	09/02/2010		S	100	D	\$ 12.13	47,748	D	
Common Stock	09/02/2010		S	400	D	\$ 12	47,348	D	
Common Stock	09/02/2010		S	3,000	D	\$ 12.15	44,348	D	
Common Stock	09/02/2010		S	1,150	D	\$ 12.2	43,198	D	

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Common Stock	09/03/2010	S	1,050	D	\$ 12.2	42,148	D
Common Stock	09/03/2010	S	500	D	\$ 12.18	41,648	D
Common Stock	09/03/2010	S	900	D	\$ 12.25	40,748	D
Common Stock	09/03/2010	S	800	D	\$ 12.23	39,948	D
Common Stock	09/03/2010	S	301	D	\$ 12.24	39,647	D
Common Stock	09/03/2010	S	2,800	D	\$ 12.21	36,847	D
Common Stock	09/03/2010	S	200	D	\$ 12.2001	36,647	D

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amour	nt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ties	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities	3		(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
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						Date	Expiration		or	
						Exercisable	Date		Number	
				G 1 T	, (A) (B)				of	
				Code V	$^{\prime}$ (A) (D)				Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SHANNON MICHAEL L	X							
C/O KEY TECHNOLOGY, INC.								
150 AVERY STREET								

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WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael L. Shannon by Michele R. Walters, Attorney-In-Fact

09/03/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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