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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Wagner Richard			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIIN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
1373 BOGGS DRIVE			08/19/2011	X_ Officer (give title Other (specification) Vice President			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-De	erivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)
			Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/19/2011		F	1,336 D \$ 9.58	20,174	D	
Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units)					41,804	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secu (Insti
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.72					<u>(1)</u>	08/08/2021	Common Stock	14,175	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.43					<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2021	Common Stock	11,732	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.16					<u>(1)</u>	08/09/2020	Common Stock	15,449	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy) (Common Stock)	\$ 9.39					<u>(1)</u>	02/09/2020	Common Stock	14,881	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.6					<u>(1)</u>	08/10/2019	Common Stock	10,982	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.55					<u>(1)</u>	02/10/2019	Common Stock	14,946	
	\$ 11.15					<u>(1)</u>	02/19/2018		13,196	

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Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)				Common Stock	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.69	<u>(1)</u>	08/19/2018	Common Stock	7,314
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.11	<u>(1)</u>	02/13/2017	Common Stock	6,598
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.27	<u>(1)</u>	08/13/2017	Common Stock	5,444
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.26	<u>(1)</u>	08/14/2016	Common Stock	2,841
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.12	<u>(1)</u>	03/04/2015	Common Stock	5,301
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.64	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2016	Common Stock	4,080
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.89	<u>(1)</u>	07/26/2015	Common Stock	3,430

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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Wagner Richard 1373 BOGGS DRIVE MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

Vice President

Signatures

James F. Petelle for Richard T. Wagner

08/22/2011

**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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