FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* DYESS KIRBY | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ITRON INC /WA/ [ITRI] | | | | | | | | | ationship k all appli Directo | cable) | g Pers | son(s) to Iss | |
|--|---|--|---|---------|------------------------------|--|---|-------|---|------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 2818 N. SULLIVAN ROAD | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2006 | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title Other (spe below) below) | | | | |
| (Street) SPOKANE WA 99216 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - No | n-Deriv | ative | e Se | curities | s Acc | uired, | Dis | osed c | of, or Be | enefic | ially | Owned | t | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Date) | | | | | | ar) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) | | | 4 and Securiti Benefic Owned | | es ally Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | ٧ | Amount | (A) c | r Pric | е | Reporte Transac (Instr. 3 | tion(s) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common | Stock | | 9/2006 | 2006 | | | A | | 70 A | | \$7 | 0.99 | , | 70 | | D | | | |
| | | 7 | able II - | | | | | | | | sed of onverti | | | | wned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transa Code (8) | | n of E | | 6. Date Exe Expiration Month/Da | Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | | D S (I | s. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4) | e s illy | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | | Date Exercisabl | | xpiration ate | Title | Amou or Numb of Share | er | | | | | |
| Stock Option (right to | \$70.99 | 05/09/2006 | | | A | | 5,000 | | (1) | 0: | 5/09/2016 | Common Stock | 5,00 | 0 | \$0 | 5,000 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

 $1.\,33\text{-}1/3\% \text{ of options become exercisable on } 5/9/07 \text{ and an additional } 33\text{-}1/3\% \text{ on each of } 5/9/08 \text{ and } 5/09/09 \text{ and$

By: MariLyn R. Blair, as attorney-in-fact For: Kirby A. 05/10/2006

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** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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