

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br><u>VANOS RUSSELL E</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br>2818 N. SULLIVAN ROAD<br><br>(Street)<br>SPOKANE WA 99216<br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>ITRON INC /WA/ [ ITRI ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><br>Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><u>VP &amp; GM, Energy</u> |
|  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>08/31/2004                |  |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)   |   |  |

**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  | (A) or (D) | Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | M                              |   | 12,000  | A          | \$7     | 13,350  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 200   | D          | \$18.27 | 13,150  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | M                              |   | 100   | D          | \$18.28 | 13,050  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 600   | D          | \$18.29 | 12,450  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 7,900   | D          | \$18.3  | 4,550   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 900   | D          | \$18.34 | 3,650   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 300   | D          | \$18.42 | 3,350   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 100   | D          | \$18.49 | 3,250   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 200   | D          | \$18.5  | 3,050   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 1,300   | D          | \$18.53 | 1,750   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 300   | D          | \$18.55 | 1,450   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2004                           |  | S                              |   | 100   | D          | \$18.59 | 1,350   | D  |   |

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |       |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V | (A)  | (D)    | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  | Title |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$7  | 08/31/2004                           |  | M                              |   |  | 12,000 | (1)  | 02/12/2011      | Common Stock  | 12,000                                     | \$0  | 1,333   | D  |       |

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. 33-1/3 of options become exercisable on 02/12/02 and an additional 33-1/3% on each of 02/12/03 and 02/12/04.

By: MariLyn R. Blair, as attorney-in-fact For: Russell E. Vanos 08/31/2004

\*\* 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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