Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT O	F CHANGES IN	BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HELMBRECHT STEVEN M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ITRON INC /WA/ [ ITRI ]						(Ch	Relationship eck all applic Directo	cable)	g Persor	n(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s)	ner
(Last) 2111 N N	(Fi MOLTER R	•	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2007						X below)		& CF0	below)		
(Street) LIBERT LAKE	Y w	YA	99019		4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable )  Compared to the compared t					
(City)	(S:	tate)	(Zip)														
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	neficiall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/E				Execution Date,		Code (Instr.   5)				Benefici	es ally Following	6. Owner Form: D (D) or Ir (I) (Instr	Direct ondirect Er. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
									Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			iiisu. 4)
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)		ate, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (i 3, 4 and		ve es d ed nstr.	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 derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly O	0. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$67.43	05/14/2007			A		20,000		(1)	05/17/2017	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	20,000	)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1.33-1/3% of options become exercisable on 5/14/08 and an additional 33-1/3% on each of 5/14/09 and 5/14/10.

By: MariLyn R. Blair, as attorney-in-fact For: Steven M. 05/16/2007 **Helmbrecht** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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