## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HELMBRECHT STEVEN M</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ITRON INC /WA/ [ ITRI ]									k all app Dired	olicable)	1	Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify		
(Last) 2111 N M	nst) (First) (Middle) 11 N MOLTER ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2009									belov	w) ``		below)		
(Street) LIBERTY LAKE (City)	W		09019 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	/ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired	d, Di	sposed o	f, or E	Benefi	cially	Owne	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Exe if a	ecution ny	Deemed cution Date, by nth/Day/Year)		action (Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		and 5) Secu Bene		icially d Following	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		e	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111501.4)		
Common Stock 02/1					2009 02		2/12/2009		A		2,532	A		\$0		19,888				
Common Stock 02/1				02/13/	2009 02		2/13/2	009	S		699(1)	D \$54.1		.1397	1397 19,189		D			
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	med on Date, Day/Year)	n Date, Transac Code (Ir				6. Date Expirat (Month	tion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Deriv Secu (Insti	vative urity	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	(D) rect	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	r						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Represents shares sold to cover taxes owed on vested stock award.

## Remarks:

Represents shares sold to cover taxes owed on vested stock award.

MariLyn R. Blair, attorney-in-02/17/2009 fact for Mr. Helmbrecht

\*\* 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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