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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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Jafroodi Scot R Issuer Symbol INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIIN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title 1373 BOGGS DRIVE 05/24/2018 below) Chief Accounting Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Ownersh Beneficially Form: Di Owned (D) or Following Indirect (Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/24/2018		M	898	A	\$ 9.16	24,666	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2018		M			\$ 12.43		D	
Common Stock	05/24/2018		S	5,591	D	\$ 31.75	23,768	D	
Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units)							6,165	D	

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

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.16	05/24/2018		M		898	<u>(1)</u>	08/09/2020	Common Stock	898
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.43	05/24/2018		M		4,693	(1)	02/08/2021	Common Stock	4,693
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.69						<u>(1)</u>	02/13/2028	Common Stock	2,629
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.75						<u>(1)</u>	08/07/2027	Common Stock	2,951
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.06						<u>(1)</u>	02/07/2027	Common Stock	2,013
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.49						<u>(1)</u>	08/11/2026	Common Stock	2,377

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.95	<u>(1)</u>	02/11/2026	Common Stock	3,165
Stock Optin (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.05	<u>(1)</u>	08/17/2025	Common Stock	4,211
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.96	<u>(1)</u>	02/17/2025	Common Stock	3,548
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.5	<u>(1)</u>	08/12/2024	Common Stock	3,890
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.08	<u>(1)</u>	02/12/2024	Common Stock	3,968
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.22	<u>(1)</u>	08/12/2023	Common Stock	3,957
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.45	<u>(1)</u>	02/12/2023	Common Stock	3,835
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.23	<u>(1)</u>	08/21/2022	Common Stock	6,044
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.06	<u>(1)</u>	02/21/2022	Common Stock	4,538
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.72	<u>(1)</u>	08/08/2021	Common Stock	5,670

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Jafroodi Scot R 1373 BOGGS DRIVE MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

James F. Petelle for Scot R.
Jafroodi
05/25/2018

**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 1 year from grant date.

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