

INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 GAZMARIAN MICHAEL C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC [IIN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1373 BOGGS DR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/19/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President and CFO

MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/25/2016		M	10,164	A \$ 10.23	147,900	D
Common Stock	02/25/2016		M	9,449	A \$ 10.72	157,349	D
Common Stock	02/25/2016		M	7,319	A \$ 12.43	164,668	D
Common Stock	02/25/2016		M	7,507	A \$ 13.06	172,175	D
Common Stock	02/25/2016		S	34,439	D \$ 25.762	137,736	D

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Common  
Stock  
(Restricted  
Stock  
Units) 20,760 D

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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
					V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.23	02/25/2016		M		10,164	(1)	08/21/2022	Common Stock 10,164
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.72	02/25/2016		M		9,449	(1)	08/08/2021	Common Stock 9,449
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.43	02/25/2016		M		7,319	(1)	02/08/2021	Common Stock 7,319
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.06	02/25/2016		M		7,507	(1)	02/21/2022	Common Stock 7,507
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.16						(1)	08/09/2020	Common Stock 10,299
	\$ 11.6						(1)	08/10/2019	7,321

Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)				Common Stock	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.95	(1)	02/11/2026	Common Stock	7,911
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.05	(1)	08/17/2025	Common Stock	10,528
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.96	(1)	02/17/2025	Common Stock	8,871
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.5	(1)	08/12/2024	Common Stock	9,724
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.08	(1)	02/12/2024	Common Stock	9,921
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.22	(1)	08/12/2023	Common Stock	9,892
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.45	(1)	02/12/2023	Common Stock	9,589

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GAZMARIAN MICHAEL C 1373 BOGGS DR MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030			Vice President and CFO	

## Signatures

James F. Petelle for Michael C.  
Gazmarian

02/26/2016

\_\_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 one year from grant date.

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