

OCONNELL HOWARD V  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 OCONNELL HOWARD V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1649 QUESTWOOD DRIVE

(Street)

FALCON HEIGHTS, MN 55113

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 TECHNE CORP /MN/ [TECH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/23/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D) Price                                                  | 135,389                                                                                       | I                                                        | O'Connell Trusts                  |

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)**

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| 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 65.47                                               | 10/23/2008                           |                                                    | A                              | 5,000                                                                                   | 10/23/2008 10/22/2018                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 5,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 66.59                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/25/2007 10/24/2017                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 5,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 56.17                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/26/2006 10/25/2016                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 5,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 54.68                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/27/2005 10/26/2015                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 5,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 37.1                                                |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/21/2004 10/21/2014                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 5,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 32.9                                                |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/23/2003 10/23/2013                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 5,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 30.65                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/24/2002 10/24/2012                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 5,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 29.1                                                |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/18/2001 10/18/2011                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 3,000                         |
| Director Stock Option                      | \$ 52.6565                                             |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 10/09/2000 10/09/2010                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 10,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
|                                | X             |           |         |       |

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## Signatures

Howard V.  
O'Connell

10/24/2008

            
\*\*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).

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