

INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC  
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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 \*  
 GAZMARIAN MICHAEL C

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

MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/19/2008

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)  
 Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/19/2008		A	4,119 A \$0	21,847.4882	I	Restricted
Common Stock					121,401	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.69	08/19/2008		A V	2,438	(1) 08/19/2018	Common Stock	2,438
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.69	08/19/2008		A V	4,876	(1) 08/19/2018	Common Stock	4,876
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.89					07/26/2006 07/26/2015	Common Stock	3,438
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.12					(1) 03/04/2015	Common Stock	5,312
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.15					(1) 02/19/2018	Common Stock	13,125
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.64					02/14/2007 02/14/2016	Common Stock	4,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.11					(1) 02/13/2017	Common Stock	5,714
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.26					08/14/2007 08/14/2016	Common Stock	2,857
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.27					(1) 08/13/2017	Common Stock	2,286
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.11					(1) 02/13/2017	Common Stock	8,286
Non-Qualified	\$ 20.27					(1) 08/13/2017	Common	3,286

Stock Option  
(right to buy)

Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GAZMARIAN MICHAEL C 1373 BOGGS DRIVE MOUNT AIRY, NC 27030			Treasurer	

## Signatures

By: James F. Petelle For: Michael C.  
Gazmarian

08/20/2008

\_\_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).

(1) options vest 1/3 annually beginning 1 year from grant date

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