FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>LAMBERT WILLIAM M</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MSA Safety Inc [MSA]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(1.20) (5:20) (45:410)					- L	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2017								X		(give title		Other (s	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 CRANBERRY WOODS DRIVE															President and CEO				
(Street) CRANBERRY				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
WOODS PA 16066 TOWNSHIP														X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(5	state)	(Zip)																
		Tal	ole I - I	Non-Der	ivativ	e Sec	curit	ties A	cquire	d, D	isposed o	f, or Be	enefic	ially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y					Execution		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			Benefici		es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, no par value 05/0				05/02/2	2017	17			M		38,796	A	\$17	.83	204	04,553		D	
Common Stock, no par value				05/02/2017				S		4,794	D	\$79.0	007(1)	199	99,759		D		
Common Stock, no par value 05.				05/02/2	05/02/2017				S		34,002	D	\$78.8	905(2)	165	5,757		D	
Common Stock, no par value 05/03/2				2017	L 7			M		5,998	A	\$17	.83	173	1,755		D		
Common Stock, no par value 05/03/20:				2017	.7			M		1,800	A	\$17		173	73,555		D		
Common Stock, no par value 05/03/201				2017	.7			S		1,800	D	\$79.0	156 ⁽³⁾	171	171,755		D		
Common Stock, no par value 05/03/201				2017	.7			S		5,998	D	\$78.3	581(4)	165	165,757		D		
Common Stock, no par value															60,600			I	By Wife
			Table								sposed of, , converti				wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Exercise (Month/Day/Year) ice of erivative				ansaction ode (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		e Exer ation D h/Day/		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		D	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Non- statutory Stock Option	\$17.83	05/02/2017			M			38,796	02/23	/2012	02/23/2019	Common Stock, no par value	38,7	796	\$17.83	47,86	1	D	
Non- statutory Stock Option	\$17.83	05/03/2017			M			1,800	02/23	/2012	02/23/2019	Common Stock, no par value	1,8	00	\$17.83	46,06	1	D	
Non- statutory Stock Option	\$17.83	05/03/2017			M			5,998	02/23	/2012	02/23/2019	Common Stock, no par value	5,9	98	\$17.83	40,063	3	D	
Option	n of Respon	505:										par value							<u> </u>

- 1. Share price on this transaction ranged from \$79 to \$79.06.
- 2. Share price on this transaction ranged from \$78.58 to \$79.075.
- 3. Share price on this transaction ranged from \$79 to \$79.09.
- 4. Share price on this transaction ranged from \$78 to \$78.705.

Douglas K. McClaine, Attorney 05/04/2017 in Fact

** 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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