FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>Vartanian Nishan J.</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  MSA Safety Inc [ MSA ]									heck all a Dir			Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 CRANBERRY WOODS DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/26/2017										ow) (wo	below t and COO	(specify y)
(Street) CRANBERRY WOODS PA 16066 TOWNSHIP  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) <mark>X</mark> Fo Fo	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	/ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	, Dis	posed o	f, or	Ben	eficia	ally Owi	ned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Date						Execu y/Year) if any		ed n Date, ay/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			d 5) Seci Ben Owr	nount of irities eficially ed Following orted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Common Stock, no par value 06/26/2					/2017	017		A		6,306		A	\$0.0	000	29,860	D		
Common Stock, no par value																1,190	I	By Wife
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**Explanation of Responses:** 

Douglas K. McClaine, **Attorney** in Fact

06/27/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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