Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Addre | | g Person [*] | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MSA Safety Inc</u> [MSA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
|--|---------|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Blanco Steve | (First) | (Middle) DS DRIVE | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2020 | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Vice President | | | | | |
| (Street) CRANBERRY WOODS TOWNSHIP | РА | 16066 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | rivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Be | neficially Owned | | | | | |

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Disposed Of 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | nt (A) or Brice Transaction(s | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock, no par value | 03/08/2020 | | A | | 3,875 | A | \$0.0000 | 15,951 | D | |
| Common Stock, no par value | 03/08/2020 | | F | | 204 | D | \$129.4 | 15,747 | D | |
| Common Stock, no par value | 03/08/2020 | | F | | 1,104 | D | \$129.4 | 14,643 | D | |

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. Transa Code (8) | | of | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--|---|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Stephanie L. Sciullo, Attorney 03/10/2020

<u>in fact</u>

** 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).

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