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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Vartanian Nishan J.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 CRANBERRY WOODS DRIVE (Street) CRANBERRY WOODS PA 16066 TOWNSHIP (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MSA Safety Inc [MSA]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) CEO and President / Chairman
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/11/2020	

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, no par value	08/11/2020		M		1,310	A	\$36.69	48,348	D	
Common Stock, no par value	08/11/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		570	D	\$127.6475 ⁽²⁾	47,778	D	
Common Stock, no par value	08/11/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		5,407	D	\$125.887 ⁽³⁾	42,371	D	
Common Stock, no par value	08/11/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		5,410	D	\$126.6347 ⁽⁴⁾	36,961	D	
Common Stock, no par value								1,190	I	By Wife

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 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					
Non-statutory Stock Option	\$36.69	08/11/2020		M			1,310	02/17/2015	02/17/2022	Common Stock, no par value	\$36.69	0.0000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 12, 2020. The additional 148 shares being reported as sold under the plan reflects a revised tax calculation by the Company with respect to the reporting person's number of vesting performance stock units, which calculation was completed by the Company after the plan was adopted by reporting person.
- Share price on this transaction ranged from \$127.520 to \$127.730.
- Share price on this transaction ranged from \$125.300 to \$126.290.
- Share price on this transaction ranged from \$126.300 to \$127.145.

Stephanie L. Sciuolo, Attorney 08/12/2020
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** 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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