Locke Gary F Form 4 March 31, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

may continue. See Instruction

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if no longer

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Section 16.

Form 4 or

obligations

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Locke Gary F Issuer Symbol KEY TECHNOLOGY INC [KTEC] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O KEY TECHNOLOGY, INC., 150 AVERY STREET

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

03/27/2009

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

(State)

(City)

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative Se	ecurities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if		4. Securiti onAcquired ((A) or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	` /	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
					(A)	Following Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		

Common 03/27/2009 Stock

4,255 D

558

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)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Locke Gary F C/O KEY TECHNOLOGY, INC. 150 AVERY STREET WALLA WALLA, WA 99362	X						

Signatures

/s/ Gary F. Locke by Michele R. Walters, Attorney-in-Fact

03/31/2009

**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) Represents restricted stock shares forfeited because continuing service criterion was not achieved.

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