

MELSEN GREGORY J

Form 4

December 19, 2012

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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*See* Instruction  
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MELSEN GREGORY J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

614 MCKINLEY PLACE NE

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
TECHNE CORP /MN/ [TECH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/18/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/18/2012		M	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price	\$ 49.43	1,438	D
Common Stock							725	I	by Stock Bonus Plan

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)

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 49.43	12/18/2012		M	1,012	07/27/2006 07/26/2013	Common Stock 1,012
Stock Option	\$ 70.9					11/30/2013 11/29/2019	Common Stock 15,000
Stock Option	\$ 74.05					07/27/2012 07/26/2019	Common Stock 1,755
Stock Option	\$ 76.15					07/28/2011 07/27/2018	Common Stock 1,803
Stock Option	\$ 58.4					07/30/2010 07/29/2017	Common Stock 2,083
Stock Option	\$ 66.25					04/30/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> 04/29/2017	Common Stock 30,000
Stock Option	\$ 62.46					07/24/2009 07/23/2016	Common Stock 203
Stock Option	\$ 79.41					07/25/2008 07/24/2015	Common Stock 596
Stock Option	\$ 56.83					07/27/2007 07/26/2014	Common Stock 783
Stock Option	\$ 39.53					12/17/2007 12/16/2014	Common Stock 25,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MELSEN GREGORY J 614 MCKINLEY PLACE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413			CEO	

## Signatures

Gregory J.  
Melsen

12/19/2012

\_\_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) Vest 7,500 each 4/30/11, 4/30/12, 4/30/13, 4/30/14

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