

KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Chipchase Stephen Arthur		(Month/Day/Year)	KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC [KEI]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	12/08/2005	
28775 AURORA RD			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
SOLON,Â OHÂ 44139			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			Vice President, Operations	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

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Common Stock Option	08/02/2002 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/01/2010	Common Shares	4,000	\$ 45.125	D	Â
Common Stock Option	07/25/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/24/2011	Common Shares	5,000	\$ 18.41	D	Â
Common Stock Option	07/24/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	07/23/2012	Common Shares	6,500	\$ 13.76	D	Â
Common Stock Option	07/19/2005 <sup>(3)</sup>	07/18/2013	Common Shares	12,000	\$ 16.12	D	Â
Common Stock Option	02/15/2005	07/16/2014	Common Shares	20,000	\$ 18.75	D	Â
Common Stock Option	10/04/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	10/03/2015	Common Shares	6,000	\$ 15.05	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Chipchase Stephen Arthur 28775 AURORA RD SOLON, OH 44139	Â	Â	Â Vice President, Operations	Â

## Signatures

Mark J. Plush,  
Attorney-in Fact

12/16/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Date reported applies to 50% of total, one-half of the balance is then exercisable in each succeeding year.

(2) Option became fully vested on February 15, 2005

(3) Option became fully vested on August 10, 2005

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