

KEY TECHNOLOGY INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ruff James D

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O KEY TECHNOLOGY,
INC., 150 AVERY STREET
(Street)

WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
KEY TECHNOLOGY INC [KTEC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/04/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
___ Officer (give title below) ___X___ Other (specify below)
Mrg Dir - Key Technology BV

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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/04/2006		M	3,000 A \$ 3	11,680 ⁽¹⁾	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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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock Options	\$ 3	10/04/2006		M	3,000	(2) 03/08/2007	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ruff James D C/O KEY TECHNOLOGY, INC. 150 AVERY STREET WALLA WALLA, WA 99362			Mrg Dir	- Key Technology BV

Signatures

James D. Ruff 10/14/2006

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Includes 29, 27, 34, 28, and 32 shares purchased on 9/30/05, 12/31/05, 3/31/06, 6/30/06 and 9/30/06, respectively, under the Key Technology, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) 25 percent of such option became exercisable on March 8, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- (3) Column 8 is not a required field. SEC software requires a dollar amount; use zero per SEC.

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