IONICS INC Form 4 February 23, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WYETT ALLEN S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

(Zip)

IONICS INC [ION]

(Check all applicable)

1145 NORTH LAKE WAY

(Street)

(State)

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

02/22/2005

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

Person

PALM BEACH, FL 33480

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

U

D 6,000 \$ 44 0 (1)

Common Stock

02/22/2005

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. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.5	02/22/2005		U		1,000	<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	1,000	\$ 4
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.8125	02/22/2005		U		2,000	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 4
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.5	02/22/2005		U		2,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 4
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.24	02/22/2005		U		2,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 4
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.13	02/22/2005		U		2,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 4
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.9	02/22/2005		U		4,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 4
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.1	02/22/2005		U		2,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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WYETT ALLEN S 1145 NORTH LAKE WAY X PALM BEACH, FL 33480

Signatures

/s/ Stephen Korn, Atorney-in-fact 02/22/2005

**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) The disposition of the securities is exempt pursuant to Section 16b-3(e).
- Pursuant to the Merger Agreement between the issuer, General Electric Company and Triton Acquisition Corp., the stock options will be converted at the effective time of the merger into the right to receive a cash payment equal to the excess of \$44.00 over the exercise price of such stock option multiplied by the number of shares subject to such stock option. The disposition of the securities is exempt pursuant to Section 16b-3(e).

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