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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Welch Cecilia C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol **BIO KEY INTERNATIONAL INC**

(Check all applicable)

[BKYI]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2018

below) Chief Financial Officer

C/O BIO-KEY INTERNATIONAL. INC., 3349 HIGHWAY 138,

BUILDING A, SUITE E

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

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

WALL, NJ 07719

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.96	03/23/2018		A	25,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/22/2025	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Welch Cecilia C C/O BIO-KEY INTERNATIONAL, INC. 3349 HIGHWAY 138, BUILDING A, SUITE E WALL, NJ 07719

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Cecilia Welch 03/28/2018

**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).

Represents shares issuable upon exercise of options granted to the Reporting Person on March 23, 2018 under the Issuer's 2015 Equity Incentive Plan. The options are exercisable at \$1.96 per share, the last sale price of the Issuer's common stock as reported on the Nasdaq

(1) Capital Market on the date of grant, have a term of seven years, and vest in three equal annual installments on each of the next three anniversaries of the grant date, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment with or service to the Issuer through the applicable vesting date.

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