## FORM 4

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

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|--|-------------|--|--|--|----------|---|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------|--------|-----------------|--|---|------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MELSEN GREGORY J |             |  |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol TECHNE CORP /MN/ [TECH] |          |   |       |                 |                       |  | 5. 1  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner |                                |        |                 |  |   |            |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>614 MCKINLEY PLACE NE           |             |  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/28/2011                |          |   |       |                 |                       |  | X   | X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  VP Finance and CFO                     |                                |        |                 |  |   |            |
| MINNE  | APOLIS, M   | (Street) IN 55413  |  | 4. If Am   | endr     | nent, Da  | ate O | riginal l       | Filed(Mo              | onth/D   | ay/Year)  |  | Form filed                     | i by O | one Reporting I | p Filing(Check<br>Person<br>Reporting Person | Applicable Line   | )          |
| (Cir   |             | (State)  | (Zip)  |  |          | Т   | able  | I - Non         | -Deriva               | tive   | Securities  | Acquired   | l, Dispos                      | sed o  | of, or Bene     | ficially Own                                 | ed  |            |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)                             |             | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Yea |  | Date, if | c, if Code<br>(Instr.                                     |       | (A)             |                       | Disposed of 3, 4 and 5)  |   |  |                                |        | d C             | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)             | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |            |
|  |             |  |  |  |          |   | C     | Code            | V Ar                  | moui   | (A) or nt (D)   | Price  |                                |        |                 | (  | I)<br>Instr. 4)   | 1)         |
| Common Stock   |             |  |  |  |          |   |       |                 |                       |  | 58  | 2  |                                |        | ]               | I  | by Stock<br>Bonus<br>Plan   |            |
| Reminder:  | Report on a | separate line for eac  | h class of securities                                  | benefici   | ally     | owned (   | direc |                 | -                     |  | o respond   | to the   | allasti                        | on d   | of informa      | ution  | SEC 1   | 474 (9-02) |
|  |             |  |  |  |          |   |       | C               | ontaine               | ed ir  |   | n are not  | requir                         | ed t   | o respon        | d unless the                                 |   | 174 (9-02) |
|  |             |  |  |  |          |   |       |                 |                       |  | f, or Benef<br>ible securit   | •  | wned                           |        |                 |  |   |            |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)        | Conversion  | 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) |  | e  | and      | Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |       |                 |                       | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction ((Instr. 4) | Ownershi<br>Form of<br>Derivativ<br>Security:<br>Direct (D<br>or Indirect | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |                                |        |                 |  |   |            |
|  |             |  |  | Code   | v        | (A)   | (D)   | Date<br>Exercis | sable                 |  | xpiration<br>ate  | Title  | Amo<br>or<br>Num<br>of<br>Shar | ber    |                 |  |   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 76.15    | 07/28/2011   |  | A  |          | 1,803   |       | 07/2            | 8/2011                | 0′   | 7/27/2018   | Commo  | 11.8                           | 03     | \$ 0            | 1,803  | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 58.40    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 07/3            | 0/2010                | 0  | 7/29/2017   | Commo  | 2,0                            |        |                 | 2,083  | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 66.25    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 04/30           | /2011 <mark>(1</mark> | 1) 04  | 4/29/2017   | Commo  | on 30,0                        | 000    |                 | 30,000                                       | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 62.46    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 07/2            | 4/2009                | 0  | 7/23/2016   | Comm   | 20                             | 3      |                 | 203  | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 79.41    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 07/2            | 5/2008                | 0  | 7/24/2015   | Commo  |                                | 6      |                 | 596  | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 56.83    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 07/2            | 7/2007                | 0  | 7/26/2014   | Commo  | 1 /X                           | 3      |                 | 783  | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 49.43    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 07/2            | 7/2006                | 0  | 7/26/2013   | Commo  |                                | 12     |                 | 1,012  | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 51.60    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 08/1            | 8/2005                | 0  | 8/17/2012   | Commo  | 4/.                            | 6      |                 | 426  | D   |            |
| Stock<br>Option  | \$ 39.53    |  |  |  |          |   |       | 12/1            | 7/2007                | 12   | 2/16/2014   | Commo  | 2.0 U                          | 000    |                 | 25,000                                       | D   |            |
| Repor  | ting O      | wners  |  |  |          |   |       |                 |                       |  |   |  |                                |        |                 |  |   |            |

| D ( 0 N / / )  | Relationships |           |                    |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer            | Other |  |  |  |
| MELSEN GREGORY J<br>614 MCKINLEY PLACE NE<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413 |               |           | VP Finance and CFO |       |  |  |  |

### **Signatures**

| Gregory J. Melsen             | 08/01/2011 |
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| Signature of Reporting Person | Date       |

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- \* 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).
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