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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 \*

Â Lessner Philip Michael  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

KEMET CORPORATION,Â 2835 KEMET WAY  
 (Street)

GREENVILLE,Â SCÂ 29681  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
 10/22/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 KEMET CORP [KEM]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer  Other  
 (give title below) (specify below)  
 VP-Chief Technical Officer

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
Common Stock	4,111	D	Â

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	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option	02/01/2001	10/28/2008	Common Stock	1,320	\$ 5.7345	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	10/20/2001	10/20/2009	Common Stock	2,500	\$ 14.5	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	11/30/2002	11/30/2010	Common Stock	2,500	\$ 17.5	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	11/21/2003	11/21/2011	Common Stock	3,750	\$ 16.53	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	11/15/2004	11/15/2012	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 9.03	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	10/24/2005	10/24/2013	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 12.77	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	10/29/2006	10/29/2014	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 7.76	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	10/24/2007	10/24/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 7.25	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lessner Philip Michael KEMET CORPORATION 2835 KEMET WAY GREENVILLE, SC 29681	Â	Â	Â VP-Chief Technical Officer	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Dr. Philip M.  
Lessner

10/30/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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