WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES INC Form SC 13D August 01, 2016

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

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. _____)*

Westell Technologies Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock Class A, \$.01 par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

957541105

(CUSIP Number)

Daniele Beasley Cove Street Capital LLC 2101 E. El Segundo Boulevard, Suite 302 El Segundo, CA 90245

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

July 29, 2016

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box. x

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Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Cove Street Capital, LLC I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO 27-5376591

- 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (see instructions)
 - (a) "
 - (b)
- 3. SEC USE ONLY
- 4. SOURCE OF FUNDS (see instructions)

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- 5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

7.

SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH

6,596,763

8. SHARED VOTING POWER

1,122,953

9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING PERSON WITH

6,596,763

10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,122,953

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

7,719,716

12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

(see instructions) "

13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

16.3%

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (see instructions)

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Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This statement related to the Common Stock Class A, \$.01 par value per share (the "Shares"), of Westell Technologies, Inc. (the "Issuer"). The address of the principal executive offices of the Issuer is 750 North Commons Drive, Aurora, IL 60504.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

- a) This statement on Schedule 13D is being filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, by Cove Street Capital, LLC (CSC).
- b) The address of the principal office of CSC is: 2101 East El Segundo Boulevard, Suite 302, El Segundo, CA 90245
- c) The principal business of CSC is as an Investment Adviser.
- d) CSC, nor any of its members has, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).
- e) CSC, nor any of its members was, during the last five years, a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and, as a result of such proceeding, was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order (1) enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws, or (2) finding any violation with respect to such laws.
- f) CSC is a Delaware limited liability company.
- Item 3. Source or Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

CSC in its capacity as an Investment Adviser will purchase on behalf of its clients. No monies are borrowed for such an acquisition. The aggregate purchase price of the 7,719,716 shares beneficially owned by CSC is approximately \$15,664,964 including brokerage commissions.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The Securities reported in this filing have been purchased and held for investment purposes on behalf of client accounts in which CSC has sole or shared discretionary investment and voting power. CSC believes this is an attractive investment opportunity and has engaged and will engage in a constructive dialogue with officers, directors and other representatives of the Issuer, as well as the Issuer's shareholders; topics of discussion may include, but are not limited to, the Issuer's markets, operations, competitors, prospects, strategy, personnel, directors, ownership and capitalization. CSC has also entered into a confidentiality agreement with the Issuer and, subject to such agreement, will exchange information with the Issuer. CSC, subject to applicable legal requirements, may in the future acquire additional securities of the Issuer on behalf of CSC's clients or dispose of some or all of CSC's current holdings of the Securities in the ordinary course of CSC's business and the management of its client accounts.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

- a) & b) CSC has sole discretionary investment and voting power on 6,596,763 shares and shared on 1,122,953 shares of Common Stock which constitutes approximately 16.3% of 47,313,712 the shares outstanding of Class A.
- c) CSC has effected transactions, on behalf of its clients, in the following shares of Common Stock in the last 60 days.

Price Per Share

Date of Transaction Buy/Sell Share Amount

(average px)

06/9/2016

Sell 2,570

0.78

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Except as otherwise described in this Schedule 13D, there are no contracts, arrangements, understandings, or relationships (legal or otherwise) among CSC, or between any third party, with respect to any securities of the Issuer.

Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

COMPANY NAME

/s/ Daniele Beasley

Daniele Beasley

Chief Compliance Officer, Member

August 1, 2016