

Neely Rick  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Neely Rick

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
07/12/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP and CFO

SAN JOSE, CA 95120

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/12/2010		M <sup>(1)</sup>	2,300 A \$ 11.85	34,175	D	
Common Stock	07/12/2010		S <sup>(1)</sup>	2,300 D \$ 18,549	31,875	D	
				(2)			

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)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.85	07/12/2010		M <sup>(1)</sup>	2,300	<table border="1"> <tr> <th>Date Exercisable</th> <th>Expiration Date</th> </tr> <tr> <td>10/26/2008</td> <td>10/26/2013</td> </tr> </table>	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	10/26/2008	10/26/2013	Common Stock	2,300
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10/26/2008	10/26/2013											

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Neely Rick 6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD SAN JOSE, CA 95120			Sr. VP and CFO	

## Signatures

Rick Neely	07/12/2010
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

## 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) In accordance with the reporting person's 10b5-1 trading plan.

The price is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The prices for the transactions reported on this line range from \$18.50 to \$18.63. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price

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