

F5 NETWORKS INC
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FORM 4

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 *
 EAMES EDWARD JULIAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC., 401
 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST

(Street)

SEATTLE, WA 98119

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 F5 NETWORKS INC [FFIV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/01/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

Sr. VP Business Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2008 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 8,057 | A | \$ 0 |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2008 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 8,057 | D | \$ 28.8385 |

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) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 08/01/2008 | | M | 6,219 | 02/01/2007 | 12/15/2016 | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 08/01/2008 | | M | 1,838 | 11/01/2007 | 08/01/2017 | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 08/01/2008 | | A | 33,600 | 11/01/2008 ⁽³⁾ | 08/01/2018 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| EAMES EDWARD JULIAN C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC. 401 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST SEATTLE, WA 98119 | | | Sr. VP Business Operations | |

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Christianson by Power of Attorney

08/05/2008

____Signature of Reporting Person

____Date

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) Shares received from vesting of the 12/15/2006 and 8/1/2007 restricted stock unit grant.

(2) Sale pursuant to the terms of a 10b5-1 trading plan.

(3) Fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate number of RSUs in the grant vest in equal quarterly increments over two years, until such portion of the grant is fully vested on August 1, 2010. Twenty five percent (25%) of the grant is subject to the Company achieving specified percentage increases in total revenue during the period beginning in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2008 through the third quarter of fiscal year 2009, relative to the same periods in fiscal years 2007 and 2008. The remaining twenty five percent (25%) is subject to the Company meeting specified performance criteria for a twelve month period in fiscal years 2009 and 2010 to be set by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors.

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