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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addr LAU JAMES I	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NETWORK APPLIANCE INC [NTAP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) 495 EAST JAV	(First) VA DRIVE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2006	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive Vice President,
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
SUNNYVALE	, CA 94089	· · · · · ·		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative :	Securi	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIIsu: +)		
Common Stock	10/26/2006		S <u>(1)</u>	35,000	D	\$ 37.26 (2)	3,853,933	I	by Trust3	
Common Stock							4,578	D		
Common Stock							68,600	I	by Trust1	
Common Stock							68,600	I	by Trust2	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/e		Under Securi	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAU JAMES K 495 EAST JAVA DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

Executive Vice President,

Signatures

By: Janice Mahoney by Power of Attorney For: James

K. Lau

10/27/2006

**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) This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 17, 2006.
- (2) The sale prices for the reported transaction were in a range of \$36.83 to \$37.77 per share.
- (3) Shares held in trust by James K. Lau and Katherine S. Lau, trustees to the KNSK Trust UDT 9/18/00
- Shares held in trust by Koon H. Lau, trustee to The Jason A. Lau 1998 Trust. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such (4) shares.
- Shares held in trust by Koon H. Lau, trustee to The Jonathan A. Lau 1998 Trust. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such **(5)** shares.

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Reporting Owners 2

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