#### NETWORK APPLIANCE INC

Form 4

September 21, 2007

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

MOORE NICHOLAS G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NETWORK APPLIANCE INC

[NTAP]

24520 BELLA LADERA

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/19/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Applicable Line)

X\_ Director

Officer (give title

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

Issuer

below)

LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94024

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership

10% Owner

Other (specify

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour 4. Derivative **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securit** Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security or Exercise Securities any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A)	(D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.02	09/19/2007		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/18/2014	Common Stock	20,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.02	09/19/2007		A	5,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/18/2014	Common Stock	5,0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Transfer and the same	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MOORE NICHOLAS G						
24520 BELLA LADERA	X					
LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94024						

## **Signatures**

By: Janice Mahoney by Power of Attorney For: Nicholas G.
Moore

09/21/2007

\*\*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).

Option is immediately exercisable, but any shares purchased under the option will be subject to repurchase by the Company at the option exercise price paid per share, upon the Optionee's cessation of Board service prior to vesting in those shares. The shares will vest upon the Optionee's continuation in Board service through the day immediately preceding the next Annual Stockholders Meeting following the grant date.

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