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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS (NUAN) À Torgersen Michael (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2005 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O NUANCE (Check all applicable) COMMUNICATIONS, Â 1380 WILLOW ROAD 10% Owner Director (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Vice President CIO _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person MENLO PARK. CAÂ 94025 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 0 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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3. Title and Amount of 5. 6. Nature of Indirect 1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 4. **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) Conversion (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------|--|---|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | (1) | 11/12/2013 | Common Stock | 75,000 | \$ 6.76 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | (2) | 05/19/2014 | Common Stock | 10,000 | \$ 4.21 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Torgersen Michael C/O NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS 1380 WILLOW ROAD MENLO PARK. CA 94025 | Â | Â | Vice President CIO | Â | | |

Signatures

/s/ Douglas Neilsson (by Attorney-in-Fact)

02/02/2005

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) 25% of total vests on 11/12/04. 1/48% of the total grant vests monthly thereafter.
- (2) 25% of total vests on 5/20/05. 1/48th of the total grant vests monthly thereafter.

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