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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad SMITH NAN	-	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ELECTRONIC ARTS INC [ERTS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
` '	` ,	` '	(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
209 REDWOOD SHORES PARKWAY			12/27/2004	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	unired. Disposed of, or Reneficially Owned			

(5)	()	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqui	irea, Disposea of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n(A) or Di	spose	d of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/27/2004		M	100	A	\$ 48.785	14,018	D	

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Deriv Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo	or osed o) r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and a Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified stock option	\$ 48.785	12/27/2004		M		100	<u>(1)</u>	10/24/2013	Common Stock	100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address									
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					

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Relationships

Signatures

Stephanie Kuo as Attorney in fact for Nancy
Smith
12/28/2004

**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) Options vests over 50 months, with one year cliff.

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