

NEXTEST SYSTEMS CORP
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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 Address of Reporting Person *
 Foster Craig Z

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEXTEST SYSTEMS CORP
 [NEXT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 875 EMBEDDED WAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/24/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice President of Engineering

SAN JOSE, CA 95138
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 01/24/2008 | | U | | 270,000 | D | \$ 20 56,000 |
| Common Stock | 01/24/2008 | | D | | 56,000 | D | (3) 0 |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 1 | 01/24/2008 | | D | 17,500 | 07/23/2007 ⁽¹⁾ 10/23/2013 | Common Stock | 17,500 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 1 | 01/24/2008 | | D | 52,500 | ⁽²⁾ 10/17/2012 | Common Stock | 52,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Foster Craig Z 875 EMBEDDED WAY SAN JOSE, CA 95138 | | | Vice President of Engineering | |

Signatures

/s/ James P. Moniz,
Attorney-in-Fact

01/25/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) This option, which provided for vesting on July 23, 2007, was assumed by Teradyne, Inc. in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 37,618 shares of Teradyne common stock for \$0.4652 per share.
- (2) This option, which provided for vesting in three equal annual installments beginning July 18, 2004, was assumed by Teradyne, Inc. in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 112,854 shares of Teradyne common stock for \$0.4652 per share.
- (3) Disposed of pursuant to merger agreement between issuer and Teradyne, Inc. and replaced with 120,377 Teradyne restricted stock units.

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