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# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* DARCY COLM

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

Issuer

SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED CO

[SKIL]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year)

05/26/2010

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(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

(Instr. 4)

below)

NASHUA, NH 03062

(Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** 

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** 

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares (1)	\$ 6.41	05/26/2010		D		247,556	(2)	12/05/2013	Ordinary Shares (1)	247,556
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares (1)	\$ 19.0625	05/26/2010		D		50,000	(3)	04/05/2011	Ordinary Shares	50,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

DARCY COLM

300 INNOVATIVE WAY SUITE 201 NASHUA, NH 03062

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# **Signatures**

/s/ Greg Porto (for Colm Darcy) 05/27/2010

\*\*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) Each issued and oustanding Ordinary Share of the issuer, or option to purchase an Ordinary Share of the issuer, is represented by one ADS.
- This option, which vested as to 25% of the shares on 12/05/2007 and as to an additional 1/48th of the shares each month thereafter for 36 months, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$1,198,171.04 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.
- (3) These options were 100% vested at 01/15/2005. Pursuant to the terms of the Transaction Agreement, this option, the exercise price of which exceeds the transaction consideration of \$11.25 per share, was cancelled with no consideration paid to the Reporting Person.

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