

Matte Dan
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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 *
Matte Dan

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC., 401 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST
(Street)

SEATTLE, WA 98119

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
F5 NETWORKS INC [FFIV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/01/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. VP of Marketing

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2010 | | M | | 11,616 (1) A \$ 0 | 12,828 | D |
| Common Stock | 08/02/2010 | | S(2) | | 11,616 D \$ 88.516 | 1,212 | 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)

| 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 08/01/2010 | | M | 5,303 | 11/01/2008 08/01/2018 | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 08/01/2010 | | M | 6,313 | 11/01/2009 08/03/2019 | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 08/02/2010 | | A | 17,270 | 11/01/2010 ⁽³⁾ 08/02/2020 | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 08/02/2010 | | A | 6,000 | 08/01/2013 ⁽⁴⁾ 08/02/2020 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Matte Dan C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC. 401 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST SEATTLE, WA 98119 | | | Sr. VP of Marketing | |

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Christianson by Power of Attorney
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 08/03/2010
 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) Shares received from vesting of the 8/1/2008 and 8/3/2009 restricted stock unit grants.
- (2) Sale pursuant to the terms of a 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (3) Fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate number of RSUs in the grant vest in equal quarterly increments over three years, until such portion of the grant is fully vested on August 1, 2013. 16.66% of the grant is subject to a quarterly performance vesting schedule for the period beginning August 2, 2010 through August 1, 2011, based on the Company achieving quarterly revenue and EBITDA targets during the

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period beginning with the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 through the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. The remaining portion of the grant is subject to the Company meeting specified performance criteria for each of the four quarters beginning with the third quarters in fiscal years 2011 and 2012 (16.66% for each period) to be set by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors.

(4) One hundred percent (100%) of the RSUs will vest on August 1, 2013.

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