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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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may continue.

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ATCHISON ROBERT L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMPEX CORP /DE/ [AMPX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (Middle) 3.		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheen an applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1228 DOUGLAS AVENUE			07/18/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Vice President		
	(Street)		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		
REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005		M	3,000	A	\$ 1.15	150	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	499	D	\$ 35	150	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	350	D	\$ 35.25	150	D	
Class A Common	07/18/2005		S(1)	351	D	\$ 35.1	150	D	

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Stock							
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 35.11	150	D
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	370	D	\$ 35.09	150	D
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005	S(1)	130	D	\$ 34.778	150	D
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 34.22	150	D
Class A Common Stock	07/18/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 34.31	150	D
Class A Common Stock	07/19/2005	M	7,000	A	\$ 1.15	150	D
Class A Common Stock	07/19/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	6,962	D	\$ 35	150	D
Class A Common Stock	07/19/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	38	D	\$ 35.01	150	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transa Code (Instr.		Securi Acqui (A) or	rivative ities ired seed of	6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number

								Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.15	07/18/2005	M	3,000	04/07/2005	04/07/2007	Class A Common Stock	3,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.15	07/19/2005	M	7,000	04/07/2005	04/07/2007	Class A Common Stock	7,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ATCHISON ROBERT L 1228 DOUGLAS AVENUE REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063			Vice President					

Signatures

Robert L.
Atchison

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 24, 2005.
- (2) After giving effect to this exercise, the reporting person owns 0 options with the same exercise price and expiration date.

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