

MOORE NICHOLAS G  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 MOORE NICHOLAS G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NETWORK APPLIANCE INC  
 [NTAP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/20/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

24520 BELLA LADERA

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94024

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |                                   |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                                | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Code  | V | (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |        | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        |
|---|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---|---|--------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
|   |                              |                  |                  |   | (A)   | (D)    |                  |                 |              |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 20.61                     | 10/20/2005       | G <sup>(1)</sup> | V |   | 15,000 | <u>(2)</u>       | 09/01/2014      | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 20.61                     | 10/20/2005       | G <sup>(1)</sup> | V |   | 5,000  | <u>(2)</u>       | 09/01/2014      | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 22.62                     | 10/20/2005       | G <sup>(1)</sup> | V |   | 15,000 | <u>(2)</u>       | 09/01/2013      | Common Stock |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MOORE NICHOLAS G<br>24520 BELLA LADERA<br>LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94024 |               |           | X       |       |

## Signatures

By: Janice Mahoney by Power of Attorney For: Nicholas G. Moore

11/22/2005

\_\_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) The reporting person transferred the option to The Moore Family Ventures, LP.

Option is immediately exercisable, but any shares purchased under the option will be subject to repurchase by the Company at the option exercise price paid per share, upon the Optionee's cessation of Board service prior to vesting in those shares. The shares will vest upon the Optionee's continuation in Board service through the day immediately preceding the next Annual Stockholders Meeting following the grant date.

(3) Option held by The Moore Family Ventures, LP, a limited partnership of which the reporting person is General Partner.

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