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November 19, 2009

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* THORNTON JOHN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

SolarWinds, Inc. [SWI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

300 W. 6TH STREET, SUITE 2300

(Street)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year) 11/18/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Code V

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Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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**AUSTIN, TX 78701** 

Common

Stock

(City) (State) (Zip)

11/18/2009

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if anv (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of TransactionDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Amount

653,177

(A)

or

(D)

D

\$

17.9063

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

1,045,501 I By LP (1)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	)	Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	,	Date Exp Exercisable Date		Title Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b>--</b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
THORNTON JOHN D 300 W. 6TH STREET, SUITE 2300 AUSTIN, TX 78701	X						
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# **Signatures**

/s/ Bryan A. Sims (Attorney-in Fact) 11/18/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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(1) over the shares held by AV IX. John D. Thornton is a limited partner of AVP IX LP and member of AVP IX LLC and may be deemed to share voting and dispositive powers over the shares held by AV IX. Mr. Thornton disclaims beneficial ownership of shares held by AV IX except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein.

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