SZABADOS MICHAEL

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SZABADOS MICHAEL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

[NTCT]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

Director X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

Chief Operating Officer

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC., 310 LITTLETON ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

02/04/2011

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WESTFORD, MA 01886

(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. Securit onor Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of	` ′	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)		
Common Stock	02/04/2011		M <u>(1)</u>	25,000	A (1)	<u>(2)</u>	65,368	D			
Common Stock	02/04/2011		F(3)	8,084	D	\$ 24.14 (4)	57,284	D			
Common Stock	02/07/2011		S(5)	2,500	D (5)	\$ 24.7488 <u>(6)</u>	54,784	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tionDerivative 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	02/04/2011		M(1)		25,000	02/04/2011	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SZABADOS MICHAEL C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. 310 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD, MA 01886

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Michael Szabados 02/08/2011

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 shares of Common Stock were acquired upon the vesting of certain Restricted Stock Units previously granted to the reporting person.
- (2) Price is N/A.
- (3) The shares of Common Stock were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.
- (4) Represents the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on February 3, 2011.
- (5) The shares of Common Stock were sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan.
- (6) The shares sold on this date were sold in multiple transactions. This price is the weighted average sales price per share; the actual sales price per share ranged from \$24.65 to \$24.85.

(7) Date is N/A.

Reporting Owners 2

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