

NETWORK APPLIANCE INC

Form 4

December 09, 2004

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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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)
24520 BELLA LADERA
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/07/2004

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

LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94024

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/07/2004		M		35,000	A	\$ 16.78 35,000
Common Stock	12/07/2004		S		35,000	D	\$ 33.663 0

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.78	12/07/2004		M	35,000	(1) 04/08/2012	Common Stock	35,000

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

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

12/08/2004

____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 option shares are immediately exercisable as of the grant date and shall initially be unvested and subject to repurchase by the corporation at the exercise price per share. Optionee shall acquire a vested interest in the option shares, and the corporation's repurchase right shall accordingly lapse, with respect to 25,000 shares upon the optionee's completion of one year of service as a member of the corporation's Board of Directors measured from the grant date; and the balance of the shares in a series of three successive equal annual installments upon optionee's completion of each year of Board service over the three-year period measure from the first anniversary of the grant date.

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