[ ] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

OMB APPROVAL
OMB Number: 3235-0287
Estimated average burden
hours per response... 0.5

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ${ }^{*}$ <br> MCADAM JOHN |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol |  |  |
|  |  |  | F5 NETWORKS INC [ ffiv ] |  |  |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <br> 5/6/2003 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Street) |  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <br> X Form filed by One Reporting Person <br> 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. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | $\begin{array}{l}\text { 3. Trans. Code } \\ \text { (Instr. 8) }\end{array}$ |  | 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. <br> Ownership Form: <br> Direct (D) or Indirect <br> (I) (Instr. <br> 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |  |  |  |
| Common Stock | 5/6/2003 |  | M |  | 25000 | A | \$5.03 | 80611 | D |  |
| Common Stock | 5/6/2003 |  | S (1) |  | 25000 | D | \$15.4163 | 55611 | D |  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.
Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the
SEC 1474 (9-02) form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. <br> Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. 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 |  | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature <br> of Indirect <br> Beneficial <br> Ownership <br> (Instr. 4) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date <br> Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |  |  |  |  |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$5.03 | 5/6/2003 |  | M |  |  | 25000 | 4/16/2001 | 3/16/2011 | Common Stock | 25000 | \$5.03 | 150000 | D |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

(1) Sale pursuant to the terms of a 10b5-1 trading plan.

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Director | $10 \%$ Owner | Officer | Other |
| MCADAM JOHN, | $\mathbf{X}$ |  | President and CEO |  |

## Signatures

$\frac{/ \mathbf{s} / \text { John McAdam }}{{ }^{* *} \text { Signature of Reporting Person }} \quad \frac{5 / 7 / 2003}{\text { Date }}$

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

