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FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporti McADAM, JOHN	5	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading F5 NETWORKS, INC. (ffiv)	to Issuer (check all applicable)
	(Middle)	3. IRS or Social Security 4. States Number of Reporting Month Person (Voluntary) JANUA:	ment for
(Street) SEATTLE, WA	98119	(give title below) 5. If Amendment, PRESIDENT/CEO Date of Original DIRECTOR	
(City) (State)	(Zip)	·	h/Year) 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (check applicable line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More Than One Reporting Person
		TIVE SECURITIES ACQUIRED, DISPOSED O	F, OR BENEFICIALLY OWNED
1. Title of Security 2. (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- 3. action Date (Month/	Trans- 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of action or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Indirect Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Direct Beneficial (Instr. 8) Owned at (D) or Ownership End of Month Indirect (Instr. 4)	
	Year) Code	V Amount (A) or Price (D)	(Instr. 4)
COMMON STOCK	01/18/01 M	50,000 A \$1.00	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. *If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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 Sion or action action Derivative Cisable and of Underlying of Security Security Securities Expiration Securities Deriv-Price of (Month/ (Instr. Acquired (A) Date (Instr. 3 and 4) Securities Deriv-Day/ 8) or Disposed (Month/Day/Security Security Sec

OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)(2) STOCK

Code V (A) (D) cisable Date

\$9.50 1/1/01 A 100,000 01/01/02 01/01/11 COMMON 100,000

50,000 07/24/01 07/23/10 COMMON 50,000

(1) STOCK

10. Ownership 9. Number of 11. Nature of Form of Derivative Derivative Indirect Indirect Beneficial Securities Beneficially Security: Ownership Direct (D) Owned at End (Instr. 4) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) of Month (Instr. 4) 100,000 D

\$1.00 01/18/01 M

Explanation of Responses:

NON-QUALIFIED STOCK

OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)

NON-QUALIFIED STOCK \$9.50 1/1/01

SEE CONTINUATION PAGE(S) FOR FOOTNOTES.

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/s/ JOHN McADAM 2/6/01
-----**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- (1) VESTING ACCELERATED 100% ON 1/18/01.
- (2) OPTIONS VEST 50% AFTER ONE YEAR AND THE REMAINING 50% AFTER THE SECOND YEAR.

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