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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person *				2.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
EAMES ED) WARD J	ULIAN		F5	5 NI	ETW	ORKS I	NC	[FF	IV]		(,			
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							Director10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
F5 NETWORKS INC, 401 ELLIOTT AVE.					9/15/2003								Sr. VP Business Operations			
	(Stre	eet)		4.	If An	nendm	ent, Date	Orig	inal Fi	led (MM/I	DD/YYYY)	6. Individual	or Joint/G	roup Filing	(Check Appl	icable Line)
SEATTLE,	WA 9811 City) (Sta											X Form filed by		orting Person One Reporting F	'erson	
		Т	`able I - N	Non-Dei	rivat	ive Se	curities A	cqui	red, D	isposed	of, or Be	neficially Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans. D]	2A. De Execut Date, i	ion	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acqui Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			6. 7. Nature Ownership Form: Beneficial		
							Code	V	Amoun	(A) or (D)	Price				Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock 9/15/200				2003	03		M		1818	A	\$9.5	2707		D		
Common Stock 9/15/200				2003	S (1)			1818	D	\$20.3029	889		D			
	Tab	le II - Deriv	ative Sec	urities l	Bene	ficiall	y Owned ((e.g.	. , puts	s, calls, v	varrants,	options, conve	ertible sec	curities)		
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. (Instr. 8)	Securit (A) or I (D)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Securities Derivative (Instr. 3 and	Underlying Derivative Security Security		Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	V (A)		Date	ite ercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.5	9/15/2003		M			1818	1/1	/2002	1/1/2011	Common Stock	1818	\$9.5	16364	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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

Reporting Owners

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Penarting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
EAMES EDWARD JULIAN								
F5 NETWORKS INC			Sr. VP Business Operations					
401 ELLIOTT AVE.		Sr. VP Business Operations						
SEATTLE, WA 98119								

Signatures

/s/ Edward J. Eames 9/17/2003

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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