

NETWORK APPLIANCE INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WARMENHOVEN DANIEL J

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)
495 EAST JAVA DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/06/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/06/2004		M	250,000 A \$ 4.508	4,312,301	I	by Trust (1)
Common Stock	12/06/2004		S	250,000 D \$ 32.558	4,062,301	I	by Trust (1)
Common Stock					42,490	D	
Common Stock					110,000	I	by Lmt'd Ptnrshp (2)
Common Stock					970,000	I	by Lmt'd Ptnrshp2

Common Stock	170	I	(3) by Spouse (4)
Common Stock	1,806,500	I	by Trust1 (5)
Common Stock	85,800	I	by Trust2 (6)
Common Stock	9,567	I	by Trust3 (7)

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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.508	12/06/2004		M	250,000	(8) 04/30/2008	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WARMENHOVEN DANIEL J 495 EAST JAVA DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089			Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

By: Janice Mahoney by Power of Attorney For: Daniel J. Warmenhoven 12/07/2004

__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) Shares held in trust by Daniel J. Warmenhoven & Charmaine A. Warmenhoven, trustees to The Warmenhoven 1987 Revocable Trust UTA dated 12/16/87, as amended.

(2) Shares held by Warmenhoven Enterprises LP, a limited partnership of which the Warmenhoven Management Trust is the general partner, of which the reporting person and his wife are the trustees. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(3) Shares held by Warmenhoven Ventures LP, a limited partnership of which the Warmenhoven Management Trust is the general partner, of which the reporting person and his wife are the trustees. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(4) Shares held by Charmaine A. Warmenhoven, Mr. Warmenhoven's spouse, as separate property. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.

(5) Shares held in trust by Richard A. Andre, trustee to The Warmenhoven 1995 Children's Trust, under trust agreement dated 5/1/95. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.

(6) Shares held in trust by Richard A. Andre, trustee to The Daniel J. Warmenhoven 1991 Children's Trust. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.

(7) Shares held in trust by Curtis Burr and Richard A. Andre, trustees of The Warmenhoven Family Irrevocable Trust, under trust agreement dated 4/10/00. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.

(8) Option vests in equal monthly installments over the 36 months of services beginning with the second yearly anniversary of the grant date.

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