

Bene Stephen G
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bene Stephen G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ELECTRONIC ARTS
INC., 209 REDWOOD SHORES
PARKWAY

(Street)

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ELECTRONIC ARTS INC [ERTS]

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

01/28/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

SVP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
Common Stock	01/28/2005		M	4,000	A \$ 23.27	4,000	D
Common Stock	01/28/2005		S	4,000	D \$ 61.70	0	D
Common Stock	01/28/2005		M	4,000	A \$ 24.75	4,000	D
Common Stock	01/28/2005		S	4,000	D \$ 61.70	0	D

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 23.27	01/28/2005		M		4,000		<u>(1)</u>	10/05/2011	Common Stock	4,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 24.75	01/28/2005		M		4,000		<u>(1)</u>	09/08/2010	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Bene Stephen G C/O ELECTRONIC ARTS INC. 209 REDWOOD SHORES PARKWAY REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065	SVP and General Counsel

Signatures

By Stephanie Kuo attorney in fact for Stephen G
Bene

01/31/2005

____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) Option becomes exercisable on a monthly basis over a period of 50 months from vest date.

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