PROBST LAWRENCE F III

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PROBST LAWRENCE F III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ELECTRONIC ARTS INC [ERTS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(
209 REDWOOD SHORES PARKWAY		es .	(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2005	_X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board, CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
REDWOOD (CITY, CA 9	4065	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	on-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/15/2004		G	·	Amount 3,150	(D)	(<u>1</u>)	143,443 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2005		M		99,700	A	\$ 6.1563	243,143	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2005		S		99,700	D	\$ 63.7164	143,443	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2005		M		300	A	\$ 7.4688	143,743	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2005		S		300	D	\$ 63.7164	143,443	D	

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Common Stock	87,886	I	By GRAT
Common Stock	508,012	I	By Probst Family LP

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securit
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh	
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 6.1563	01/31/2005		M	99,700	<u>(4)</u>	05/01/2007	Common Stock	99,7	
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 7.4688	01/31/2005		M	300	<u>(4)</u>	09/03/2006	Common Stock	30	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Relationships Officer	Other
PROBST LAWRENCE F III 209 REDWOOD SHORES PARKWAY REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065	X		Chairman of the Board, CEO	
Signatures				
Stephanie Kuo attorney in fact for Lawrer Probst III	nce F		02/01/2005	
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date	

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- * 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) Gift
- (2) Includes 114 shares of common stock acquired under the Electronic Arts Purchase Plan in August 2004
- (3) Since Mr. Probst's last report, 51,040 shares of common stock previously held through the GRAT have been distributed and are now owned Directly.
- (4) Option becomes exercisable on a monthly basis over a period of 50 months from vest date.

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