#### NETWORK APPLIANCE INC

Form 4

December 11, 2006

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GEORGENS THOMAS** Issuer Symbol NETWORK APPLIANCE INC (Check all applicable) [NTAP] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 495 EAST JAVA DRIVE 12/07/2006 Exec VP & General Mgr (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SUNNYVALE, CA 94089 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (4 and 5 (A) or	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	12/07/2006		Code V M	Amount 1,000	(D)	Price \$ 27.81	20,901	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2006		M	30,000	A	\$ 27.81	50,901	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2006		S	3,213	D	\$ 39.45	47,688	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2006		S	31,000	D	\$ 39.332 (1)	16,688	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.81	12/07/2006		M	1,000	(2)	11/14/2015	Common Stock	1,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.81	12/07/2006		M	30,000	(2)	11/14/2015	Common Stock	30,0

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GEORGENS THOMAS 495 EAST JAVA DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

Exec VP & General Mgr

## **Signatures**

By: Janice Mahoney by Power of Attorney For: Thomas
Georgens
12/11/2006

\*\*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) The sale prices for the reported transaction were in a range of \$39.29 to \$39.38 per share.
- Option vests with respect to 25% of the option shares on the first anniversary of the Optionee's date of hire and the balance in a series of equal monthly installments over the next 36 months of service thereafter.

#### **Remarks:**

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Amount of Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned by Direct Ownership includes 527 shares of Issuer's common stock Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.