

ADOBE SYSTEMS INC
Form 4
January 27, 2009

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. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LYNCH KEVIN M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ADOBE SYSTEMS
INCORPORATED, 345 PARK
AVENUE**

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95110

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ADOBE SYSTEMS INC [ADBE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/24/2009

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)
CTO, SVP Platform Business

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 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	01/24/2009		M	8,334	A \$ 0 36,787 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	01/24/2009		F	3,287 ⁽²⁾	D \$ 19.7 33,500	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2009		M	12,090	A \$ 0 45,590	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2009		F	4,322 ⁽³⁾	D \$ 19.93 41,268	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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Performance Shares	\$ 0	01/24/2009		M			8,334	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock
Performance Shares	\$ 0	01/26/2009		M			12,090	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.93	01/26/2009		A		3,313		<u>(6)</u>	01/26/2016	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.93	01/26/2009		A		123,287		<u>(6)</u>	01/26/2016	Common Stock
Performance Shares	\$ 0	01/26/2009		A	V	24,265 <u>(7)</u>		<u>(8)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	01/26/2009		A		21,100		<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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345 PARK AVENUE
SAN JOSE, CA 95110

CTO, SVP Platform Business

Signatures

/s/Stuart Fagin, as
attorney-in-fact

01/27/2009

__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 acquired on December 31, 2008 pursuant to Adobe's 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

(2) Shares surrendered to pay tax liability due at vesting of Performance Share Units. Shares were calculated using the closing price on January 23, 2009 as the 2009 vesting date was Saturday, January 24, 2009.

(3) Shares surrendered to pay tax liability due at vesting of Performance Share Units.

(4) Represents the number of shares acquired upon vesting of 25% of the Performance Share Units earned by the participant in connection with the Performance Share award filed April 18, 2008. The participant earned 200% of the target award based on the achievement of certain pre-established performance goals during the 2007 fiscal year. The remaining Performance Share Units will vest 25% annually on the third and fourth anniversary of the grant date.

(5) Represents the number of shares acquired upon vesting of 25% of the Performance Share Units earned by the participant in connection with the Performance Share award filed April 18, 2008. The participant earned 124% of the target award based on the achievement of certain pre-established performance goals during the 2008 fiscal year. The remaining Performance Share Units will vest 25% annually on the second, third and fourth anniversary of the grant date.

(6) Vests at a rate of 2.08% per month for 48 months.

(7) Represents the maximum number of Performance Shares that will be earned, if at all, based on the achievement of certain pre-established performance goals during the 2009 fiscal year. Each Performance Share Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of ADBE common stock. The maximum number represents 115% of the target payout of 47,550 shares.

(8) Vesting of the Performance Share Units will be 25% upon the later of the (i) first anniversary of the vesting grant date and (ii) the certification of performance goal achievement, with the remaining Units vesting 25% annually on the second, third, and fourth anniversary of the grant date if the initial performance goals are achieved.

(9) Vests at a rate of 25% annually on the first, second, third and fourth anniversary of the grant date.

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