MAHON STEVEN G Form 4

July 05, 2012

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MAHON STEVEN G

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

14000 TECHNOLOGY DR

(Street)

(Zip)

07/02/2012

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MTS SYSTEMS CORP [MTSC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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Officer (give title

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

Indirect

Estimated average

burden hours per

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

Issuer

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344 (City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

or

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Owned

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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4. TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Derivative Security				or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 39.38	07/02/2012	A		10,000		<u>(1)</u>	07/02/2017	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	07/02/2012	A		3,340		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,340

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MAHON STEVEN G							
14000 TECHNOLOGY DR	X						
EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344							

Signatures

/s/ Alyn Bedford, attorney-in-fact 07/05/2012

**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 stock options vest in three equal installments each year beginning on July 2, 2013.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on July 2, 2013.

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