

SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC.  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MARKS MICHAEL E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC.  
[JAVA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/20/2008

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

4150 NETWORK CIRCLE

(Street)

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

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

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)        |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V Amount (D) Price                                                |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/20/2008                           |                                                    | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 90,000 D \$ 10.004                                                | 35,000                                                                                        | I                                                        | By Epping Investment Holdings, LLC <sup>(2)</sup> |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 50,000                                                                                        | I                                                        | By WB Investors, LLC <sup>(2)</sup>               |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 8,429 <sup>(3)</sup>                                                                          | 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price or Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 21.08                                               |                                      |                                                    | Code V                         | (A) (D)                                                                                 | (4) 04/25/2012                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 2,500                                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                 | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MARKS MICHAEL E<br>4150 NETWORK CIRCLE<br>SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Michael E.  
Marks 08/20/2008

\*\*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 sales prices for this transaction ranged from \$10.00 to \$10.01. The issuer will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the Commission staff.
- (2)

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The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent that the reporting person is deemed to have a pecuniary interest in the securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

- (3) This includes 8,429 shares of unvested restricted stock units.
- (4) This option vests and becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant or the date of Sun Microsystems, Inc.'s 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, whichever is earlier.

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