#### CHRISTIANSON JEFFREY A

Form 4

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# 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 * CHRISTIANSON JEFFREY A			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol F5 NETWORKS INC [FFIV]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(encon un appricació)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC., 401			07/29/2011	X Officer (give title Other (specify		
ELLIOTT AVE. WEST			0772772011	below) below)		
ELLIOTT AVE. WEST				Sr. VP and General Counsel		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
SEATTLE, V	VA 98119			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of		5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
G			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	07/29/2011		A	3,628 (1)	A	\$ 0	12,366	D		
Common Stock	08/01/2011		M	3,220 (2)	A	\$ 0	15,586	D		
Common Stock	08/01/2011		S	2,000	D	\$ 92.4485 (3)	13,586	D		
Common Stock	08/01/2011		S	1,819	D	\$ 93.5044 (4)	11,767	D		
	08/01/2011		S	200	D		11,567	D		

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Common \$ 94.57 Stock (5)

Common Stock S 400 D 95.9379 11,167 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 iorDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units (7)	\$ 0	08/01/2011		M		2,500	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	2,500
Restricted Stock Units (7)	\$ 0	08/01/2011		M		720	(10)	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	720
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 0	08/01/2011		A	8,114 (11)		(12)	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	8,114

Deletionships

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CHRISTIANSON JEFFREY A C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC. 401 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST SEATTLE, WA 98119			Sr. VP and General Counsel				

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Jeffrey A. Christianson

08/02/2011

\*\*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 based on performance targets for the August 3, 2009 and August 2, 2010 awards of Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) Shares acquired upon vesting of August 3, 2009, and August 2, 2010 awards of service-based Restricted Stock Units.
- This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$92.03 to \$92.85. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$93.07 to \$93.82. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (5) This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$95,735 to \$96.37. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (7) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of F5 Networks, Inc. Common Stock on the vest date.
- (8) The August 3, 2009 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in eight equal quarterly increments beginning November 1, 2009.
- (9) If the reporting person continues to serve as an officer of the Company on the vest date, the corresponding number of shares of Common Stock of F5 Networks, Inc. will be issued to the reporting person on the vest date.
- (10) 8,635 of the service-based Restricted Stock Units awarded August 2, 2010 vest in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning November 1, 2010; an additional 6,000 Restricted Stock Units vest August 1, 2013.
  - Concurrent with this award of service-based Restricted Stock Units, the Company granted the reporting person additional Restricted Stock Units that vest based on performance targets ("Performance RSUs"). If the performance targets are achieved at 100%, the
- reporting person will receive 8,114 Performance RSUs over the three-year vesting period; the actual number of Performance RSUs received may be more or less depending on whether and to the extent that performance is greater than or less than targets. Performance RSUs are not reported in Table II; the underlying shares of Performance RSUs will be reported in Table I if and when the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors determines that the performance targets have been achieved.
- (12) The August 1, 2011 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning November 1, 2011.

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