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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Egan Nancy E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NANOMETRICS INC [NANO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O NANOMETRICS
 INCORPORATED, 1550
 BUCKEYE DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 11/14/2011

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

MILPITAS, CA 95035

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 11/14/2011 | | A | 5,000 (1) | \$ 0 | 5,000 | 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)

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| 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 | 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17.23 | 11/14/2011 | | A | 20,000 | (2) 11/14/2018 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Egan Nancy E C/O NANOMETRICS INCORPORATED 1550 BUCKEYE DRIVE MILPITAS, CA 95035 | | | General Counsel | |

Signatures

/s/ Ronald W. Kisling,
Attorney-in-Fact

12/09/2011

__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 are represented by restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NANO common stock. The restricted stock units vest on an annual basis, in equal 1/3rd increments, over a three-year period from the award date.
 - (2) The option becomes exercisable over a four-year period from the grant date, with one-fourth of the total number of shares vesting on the first anniversary of the grant date, and 1/48th of the total number of shares vesting ratable on a monthly basis thereafter.

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