Naddaf Esfandiar Form 4 December 12, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Naddaf Esfandiar

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

SYNOPSYS INC [SNPS]

(Check all applicable)

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Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

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January 31,

2005

0.5

700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD

12/10/2008

below) below)

VP, Controller

(Street)

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

Applicable Line)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Ar 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Se Securities Security or Exercise Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | d of | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|-------------|--|------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17.64 | 12/10/2008 | | <u>J(1)</u> | 10,000 | | 03/10/2009(2) | 12/10/2015 | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 12/10/2008 | | A | 4,500 | | 12/08/2009(3) | 12/10/2012 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Naddaf Esfandiar 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043 | | | VP, Controller | | | | |

Signatures

By: Stephen Buckhout pursuant to POA For: Esfandiar Naddaf 12/12/2008

**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) Grant to reporting person to buy shares of common stock under the Synopsys, Inc 2006 Employee Equity Incentive Plan
- (2) 3/48ths of the option becomes exercisable on the date shown followed by 45 equal monthly installments
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning December 8, 2009.

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