

Ueunten Paul  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Ueunten Paul

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/14/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. V.P. Design Engineering

SAN JOSE, CA 95120

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount (D) or Price (A)					
Common Stock	02/14/2012		A		23,955 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0	144,208	D	
Common Stock								153,556	I	Ueunten Trust I
Common Stock								113,900	I	Ueunten Trust II
Common Stock								26,000	I	Ueunten Trust III
Common Stock								26,000	I	Ueunten Trust IV

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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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ueunten Paul 6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD SAN JOSE, CA 95120			Sr. V.P. Design Engineering	

## Signatures

By: Saria Tseng For: Paul Ueunten 02/16/2012

\_\_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).  
1/8 of the Restricted Stock Units shall vest quarterly following the Vesting Commencement Date, provided that the Grantee continues to be a Service Provider from the Grant Date through each applicable vesting date. Additionally, 23,954 shares of Restricted Stock Units were granted and shall be subject to satisfaction of performance-based vesting criteria based on achievement of certain long term
- (1) Company performance targets, as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company, and additional time vesting subsequent to the achievement of those performance targets, provided that the Grantee continues to be a Service Provider from the grant date through each applicable vesting date.

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