## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SEMMOTO SACHIO</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NETWORK APPLIANCE INC [ NTAP ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/29/2003									<ul> <li>Director</li> <li>Officer (give title below)</li> </ul>			Other (s below)		
5-35-10 OZENJI-HIGASHI ASAO-KU					4. lf /	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) KAWASAKI, M0 JAPAN M0					-									X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)																			
		Tab	le I - N	Non-Deri	vative	Sec	urities	s Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of,	or Ber	eficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. Transad Code (I 8)		4. Securitie Disposed and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned		Form: Direct (D) or E Indirect (I) (C)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4) (		Instr. 4)		
Common Stock 08/29/24					2003	)03			М		15,000	A	\$9.8	55,	55,000		D		
Common Stock 09/02/20					2003	)03		S		15,000	D	\$22.3	9 40,	40,000		D			
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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. Transac Code (Ir 8)				6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficia Ownershi	
					Code	V (A) (D)		(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s (Instr. 4)				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.8	08/29/2003			М			15,000	(1	)	08/28/2012	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	0		D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.62	09/02/2003			A		15,000		(1	)	09/01/2013	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	15,00	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Option is immediately exercisable, but any shares purchased under the option will be subject to repurchase by the Company at the option exercise price paid per share, upon the Optionee's cessation of Board service prior to vesting in those shares. The shares will vest upon the Optionee's continuation in Board service through the day immediately preceding the next Annual Stockholders Meeting following the grant date.

## **Remarks:**

 
 Janice B. Mahoney by Powerof-Attomey for Sachio
 09/02/2003

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 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person
 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\ast}$  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).

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