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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*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
LAU JAMES K			NETWORK APPLIANCE INC [NTAP]			Director 10% Owner		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
495 EAST JAVA DRIVE			08/28/2003			Executive VP, Corp Development		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
SUNNYVALE CA 94089						X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/22/2003		G	V	10,000	D	\$0	5,136,531	I	by Trust3 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	08/28/2003		M		61,408	A	\$1.945	5,197,939	I	by Trust3 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	08/28/2003		M		9,330	A	\$1.945	5,207,269	I	by Trust3 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	08/28/2003		M		4,262	A	\$3.5667	5,211,531	I	by Trust3 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	08/28/2003		S		50,000	D	\$22.23	5,161,531	I	by Trust3 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock								39,571	D	
Common Stock								100,000	I	by GRAT1
Common Stock								100,000	I	by GRAT2
Common Stock								16,000	I	by Trust1 ⁽²⁾
Common Stock								16,000	I	by Trust2 ⁽³⁾

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.945	08/28/2003		M			61,408	(4)	04/01/2007	Common Stock	61,408	\$0	0	D	

