

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A**

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**NETAPP, INC.**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR  
THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 14, 2009**

**NETAPP, INC.**



COMPUTERSHARE  
C/O NETAPP, INC.  
2 LASALLE STREET, 3RD FLOOR  
CHICAGO, IL 60602

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual  
**For holders as of:** August 17, 2009  
**Date:** October 14, 2009 **Time:** 3:00 PM PDT  
**Location:** NetApp, Inc. Corporate Headquarters  
495 East Java Drive  
Sunnyvale, CA 94089

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**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

1. Notice and Proxy Statement    2. Form 10-K

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- 1) **BY INTERNET:**            [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)
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— **How To Vote** —  
Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** Many stockholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the Meeting you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the 12 Digit Control Number available and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

**Voting Items**

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR each of the proposals.**

1. To elect the following individuals to serve as members of the Board of the Directors for the ensuing year or until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified:

**Nominees:**

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 01) Daniel J. Warmenhoven | 06) Mark Leslie       |
| 02) Donald T. Valentine   | 07) Nicholas G. Moore |
| 03) Jeffrey R. Allen      | 08) George T. Shaheen |
| 04) Alan L. Earhart       | 09) Robert T. Wall    |
| 05) Thomas Georgens       |                       |

2. To approve an amendment to the 1999 Stock Option Plan to modify the number of shares of Company common stock (shares) that may be issued pursuant to awards under the Stock Issuance and Performance Share and Performance Unit Programs.
3. To approve an amendment to the Automatic Option Grant Program contained in the 1999 Stock Option Plan so that a nonemployee director may elect to receive his or her automatic equity grants in the form of all stock options or in a combination of stock options and restricted stock units.
4. To approve an amendment to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the share reserve under the Purchase Plan by an additional 6,700,000 shares of common stock.

5. To approve an amendment and restatement of the Executive Compensation Plan to provide the plan administrator with discretion to determine the length of any performance period under the Compensation Plan and to limit the maximum award that any participant may receive pursuant to the Compensation Plan to \$5,000,000 in any fiscal year.
6. To ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent auditors of the Company for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2010.

**NOTE:** Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

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