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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WALL ROBERT T				<u>NE</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NETWORK APPLIANCE INC [NTAP]								Relationship neck all app X Direct	licable)		Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2006								Officer (give title below)			Other (specify below)	
184 BUTCH CASSIDY DRIVE				4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) TELLUI	RIDE C	0 8	31435											X Form	filed by One filed by Mor	•		
(City)	(S	tate) (Zip)															
		Tab	le I - N	lon-Deriv	ative S	Sec	uriti	es Acc	quired, D	ispo	osed o	f, or Be	neficia	Ily Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			y/Year) if ar		A. Deemed xecution Date, any lonth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)			5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned Follow	ties cially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v .	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price	Report Transa		(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 12/18/20				2006	006		M		15,000	0 A	\$10.	51 24	5,071	D				
Common Stock 12/18/20				2006	006		M		15,000	0 A	\$9.	8 26	0,071	D				
		T	able II						ired, Dis					y Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		if any	, , ,	4. Transact Code (In 8)	5. Number tion of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin	f g	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	:	Beneficial Ownership	
							of (D (Inst	osed 0) r. 3, 4				Derivative Security (and 4)		(Instr. 5)	Following Reported Transactio	(I) (Ir 4)	direct	
					Code	v	of (D (Inst	osed 0) r. 3, 4 5)	Date Exercisable		piration	Security ((Instr. 5)	Following Reported Transactio	(I) (Ir 4)	direct	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.8	12/18/2006			Code M	v	of (D (Instr and	osed 0) r. 3, 4 5)		Dat	piration de	Security (and 4)	Amount or Number of	(Instr. 5)	Following Reported Transactio	n(s) (I) (Ir	direct	

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.

By: Janice Mahoney by Power of Attorney For: Robert T. 12/19/2006 Wall

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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