Rodriguez John Edward Form 4 May 01, 2012

# FORM 4

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

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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 \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Rodriguez John Edward Issuer Symbol F5 NETWORKS INC [FFIV] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC., 401 05/01/2012 below) ELLIOTT AVE. WEST EVP, Chief Accounting Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SEATTLE, WA 98119 Person

(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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/01/2012		A	1,706 (1)	A	\$ 0	7,520	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2012		M	1,593 (2)	A	\$ 0	9,113	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S	910	D	\$ 133.6022 (3)	8,203	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S	1,800	D	\$ 134.613 (4)	6,403	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S	300	D	\$ 135.2196	6,103	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	tionof Derivative				7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units (6)	\$ 0	05/01/2012		M		720	<u>(7)</u>	(8)	Common Stock	720	\$ 0
Restricted Stock Units (6)	\$ 0	05/01/2012		M		676	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	676	\$ 0
Restricted Stock Units (6)	\$ 0	05/01/2012		M		197	(10)	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	197	\$ 0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Rodriguez John Edward C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC. 401 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST SEATTLE, WA 98119			EVP, Chief Accounting Officer					

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jeffrey A. Christianson by Power of Attorney 05/01/2012

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\*\*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) Shares acquired based on performance targets for the August 2, 2010, August 1, 2011, and November 9, 2011 awards of Restricted Stock Units
- (2) Shares acquired upon vesting of the August 2, 2010, August 1, 2011, and November 9, 2011 awards of service-based Restricted Stock Units.
- This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$133.07 to \$133.93. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$134.07 to \$135.02. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$135.08 to \$135.50. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (6) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of F5 Networks, Inc. Common Stock on the vest date.
- (7) 8,635 of the service-based Restricted Stock Units awarded August 2, 2010 vest in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning November 1, 2010; an additional 6,000 Restricted Stock Units vest August 1, 2013.
- (8) If the reporting person continues to serve as an officer of the Company on the vest date, the corresponding number of shares of Common Stock of F5 Networks, Inc. will be issued to the reporting person on the vest date.
- (9) The August 1, 2011 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning November 1, 2011.
- (10) The November 9, 2011 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vest in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2012

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