

SMITH- PILKINGTON KAREN A  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 SMITH- PILKINGTON KAREN A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/11/2013

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

79 GREAT OAKS BLVD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN JOSE, CA 95119

(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. 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/11/2013		A	V	4,027 (1)	A	\$ 0 14,789 D

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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Table with 9 columns: 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4), 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5), 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6).

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address and Relationships. Relationships sub-columns: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Entry: SMITH- PILKINGTON KAREN A, 79 GREAT OAKS BLVD, SAN JOSE, CA 95119 with an 'X' in the Director column.

Signatures

By: Meera Rao For: Karen Smith Bogart 02/13/2013
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
\*\*(1) Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
According to the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan and the Board Compensation Schedule as adopted by the Board on February 5, 2013, each Outside Director will be automatically granted Restricted Stock Units as of such date, if he or she will have served on the Board for at least the preceding six (6) months, with such grant to be effective as of the first day that the Company's trading window re-opens (or as of the date of the meeting of the Board or Compensation Committee, as applicable, if the Company's trading window is open on such date), subject to the Outside Director's continued service to the Board through such date. 100% of the restricted stock units shall vest on the first anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date.

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