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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 \*  
Anderson Mark

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
F5 NETWORKS INC [FFIV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

401 ELLIOTT AVENUE WEST

11/10/2010

EVP, Worldwide Sales

(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

SEATTLE, WA 98119

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	11/10/2010		P		100 A \$ 122.295	658	D
Common Stock	05/01/2012		A		1,917 (1) A \$ 0	12,684 (2)	D
Common Stock	05/01/2012		M		1,790 (3) A \$ 0	14,474	D
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S		903 D \$ 133.5502 (4)	13,571	D
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S		2,304 D \$ 134.5046	11,267	D

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Common Stock	05/01/2012		S	500	D	\$ <u>(5)</u> 135.15 <u>(6)</u>	10,767	D
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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)

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/01/2012		M	720	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	720	\$ 0
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/01/2012		M	676	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	676	\$ 0
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/01/2012		M	394	<u>(10)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	394	\$ 0

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Anderson Mark 401 ELLIOTT AVENUE WEST SEATTLE, WA 98119			EVP, Worldwide Sales	

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Christianson by Power of  
Attorney

05/01/2012

\_\_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) Includes 214 shares acquired on April 30, 2012 under the F5 Networks, Inc. stock purchase plan.
- (3) 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 \$132.94 to \$133.92. 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.
- (4) This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$133.95 to \$134.93. 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.
- (5) This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$134.95 to \$135.53. 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) 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 10,000 Restricted Stock Units vest August 1, 2013.
- (7) 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.
- (8) The August 1, 2011 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning November 1, 2011.
- (9) The November 9, 2011 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vest in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2012.
- (10)

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