

F5 NETWORKS INC  
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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 \*  
**TRIEBES KARL D**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC., 401  
ELLIOTT AVE. WEST**  
  
(Street)

**SEATTLE, WA 98119**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**08/01/2008**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**SrVP Product Development & CTO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2008                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 8,057   | A  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2008                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 3,469   | D  | \$ 28.7791  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2008                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 2,750   | D  | \$ 28.7722  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2008                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 1,838   | D  | \$ 28.7841  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 8,057   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 4,588   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 1,838   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 0   |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0   | 08/01/2008                           |  | M                              | 6,219   | 02/01/2007 12/15/2016                                    | Common Stock  |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0   | 08/01/2008                           |  | M                              | 1,838   | 11/01/2007 08/01/2017                                    | Common Stock  |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0   | 08/01/2008                           |  | A                              | 33,600  | 11/01/2008 <sup>(3)</sup> 08/01/2018                     | Common Stock  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| TRIEBES KARL D<br>C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC.<br>401 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST<br>SEATTLE, WA 98119 |               |           | SrVP Product Development & CTO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Christianson by Power of Attorney 08/05/2008

\_\_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 received from vesting of the 12/15/2006 and 8/1/2007 restricted stock unit grant.
- (2) Sale pursuant to the terms of a 10b5-1 trading plan.

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- (3) Fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate number of RSUs in the grant vest in equal quarterly increments over two years, until such portion of the grant is fully vested on August 1, 2010. Twenty five percent (25%) of the grant is subject to the Company achieving specified percentage increases in total revenue during the period beginning in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2008 through the third quarter of fiscal year 2009, relative to the same periods in fiscal years 2007 and 2008. The remaining twenty five percent (25%) is subject to the Company meeting specified performance criteria for a twelve month period in fiscal years 2009 and 2010 to be set by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors.

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