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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kearny Ryan C.			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	(Check an applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
C/O F5 NETV	WORKS, IN	IC., 401	11/01/2018	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
ELLIOTT AV	/E. W.			CTO & SVP, Product Development		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
SEATTLE, WA 98119				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secı	ırities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acc Transaction Disposed of (Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 (Instr. 8)		(D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Indirect Form: Benefici Direct (D) Ownersh	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/01/2018		Code V M	Amount 8,032 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0	14,139	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2018		S	1,100	D	\$ 175.3195 (2)	13,039	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2018		S	400	D	\$ 176.3825 (3)	12,639	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2018		S	3,108	D	\$ 178.4234 (4)	9,531	D	

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Common Stock	11/01/2018	S	2,128	D	\$ 179.0761 (5)	7,403	D
Common Stock	11/01/2018	S	1,490	D	\$ 177.4351 (6)	5,913	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)

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)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Yea Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	11/01/2018		M		343	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	343
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	11/01/2018		M		7,301	(10)	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	7,301
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	11/01/2018		M		388	(11)	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	388
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	11/01/2018		A	4,188		(13)	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	4,188

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Kearny Ryan C. C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC.			CTO & SVP, Product Development				

Reporting Owners 2 401 ELLIOTT AVE. W. SEATTLE, WA 98119

Signatures

/s/ Scot F. Rogers by Power of Attorney

11/05/2018

**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 upon vesting of the November 1, 2016 and November 1, 2017 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 \$174.72 to \$175.60. 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 \$175.86 to \$176.82. 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 \$177.86 to \$178.83. 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 \$178.86 to \$179.23. 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 \$176.86 to \$177.83. 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.
- (7) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of F5 Networks, Inc. Common Stock on the vest date.
- (8) This November 1, 2016 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in sixteen equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2017.
- (9) If the reporting person continues to provide services to the Company through 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.
- (10) This November 1, 2016 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests 100% on November 1, 2018.
- (11) This November 1, 2017 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in sixteen equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2018.
 - Concurrent with the award of 4,188 service-based Restricted Stock Units, the Company granted the reporting person additional Restricted Stock Units that vest based on performance targets ("Performance RSUs"). If the performance targets are achieved at 100%, the reporting person will receive 4,188 Performance RSUs over the vesting period; the actual number of Performance RSUs received
- may be more or less depending on whether and to the extent that performance is greater than or less than targets. The Performance RSUs vests over a three-year period in three equal annual installments. Performance RSUs are not reported in Table II; the underlying shares of Performance RSUs will be reported in Table I if and when the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors determines that the performance targets have been achieved.
- (13) This November 1, 2018 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2019.

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