MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC
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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 *
MCBURNIE DOUGLAS M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95120

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/09/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

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

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

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			

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A c N c
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 20.2	02/09/2010	A		25,000 (1)		02/02/2011(2)	02/09/2017	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCBURNIE DOUGLAS M 6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD SAN JOSE, CA 95120	X			

Signatures

By: Rick Neely For: Douglas McBurnie	02/09/2010
**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) Per the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, each year, on the date of the first meeting of the Board or Compensation Committee, as applicable, for the fiscal year, 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), the Company grants each non-employee director who has been on the Board for at least six months, an option to purchase 25,000 shares of Common Stock.

(2) Option is 100% exercisable on the first anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date, provided the non-employee director remains a director on such date.

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