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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement SONOSITE INC [SONO] À Branman James Neil (Month/Day/Year) 10/20/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 21919 30TH DR SE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person BOTHELL, WAÂ 98021 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Vice President, US Sales Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 11,197 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	ivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
						or Indirect	

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Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Non-Qualified Stock Optons $02/19/2005\underline{^{(1)}} \quad 01/19/2015 \quad \begin{array}{c} Common \\ Stock \end{array} \quad 1,823 \quad \$ \ 32.495 \qquad D \quad \hat{A}$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Branman James Neil

21919 30TH DR SE Â Â Vice President, US Sales Â

BOTHELL, WAÂ 98021

Signatures

Shannon Atchison, attorney in fact for James Neil Branman 10/27/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) Options vest monthly becoming fully vested 4 years from grant date.

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