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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

below)

HITZ DAVID

(Last)

NETWORK APPLIANCE INC

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[NTAP]

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) 04/21/2005

Other (specify

495 EAST JAVA DRIVE

Executive Vice President

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned