

AMES A GARY
Form 4
March 16, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
AMES A GARY

(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)
03/14/2012

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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)
Common Stock	03/14/2012		M	(A) or (D) A	1,836 (1) \$ 0 22,180	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)

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units ⁽²⁾	\$ 0	03/14/2012		M		1,836		03/14/2012	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	1,836
Restricted Stock Units ⁽²⁾	\$ 0	03/15/2012		A		1,512		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,512

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AMES A GARY C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC. 401 ELLIOTT AVE. WEST SEATTLE, WA 98119	X			

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Christianson by Power of Attorney

03/16/2012

****Signature of Reporting Person**

Date _____

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Shares received upon vesting of the March 14, 2011 grant of Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of F5 Networks, Inc. on the vest date.
- (3) One share of Common Stock of F5 Networks, Inc. was delivered to the reporting person for each Restricted Stock Unit that vested on March 14, 2012.

Restricted Stock Units will fully vest on the first business day prior to the date of the annual shareholder meeting for fiscal 2012 (to be held in 2013) if the reporting person continues to serve as a director on the vest date, and the corresponding number of shares of Common Stock of F5 Networks, Inc. will be issued to the reporting person on the vest date.
- (4)

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