

NETGEAR, INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FALCON MICHAEL F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NETGEAR, INC., 4500 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY

(Street)

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NETGEAR, INC [NTGR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/11/2006

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)
Sr. Vice President, Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 6,999 | D | |
| Common Stock ⁽⁸⁾ | 12/11/2006 | | M | 208 | A \$ 16.53 | 208 | D |
| Common Stock ⁽⁸⁾ | 12/11/2006 | | S | 208 | D \$ 26.88 | 0 | 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. 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 6 | | | | | (1) 11/04/2012 | Common Stock | 1,488 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁸⁾ | \$ 16.53 | 12/11/2006 | | M | 208 | (2) 02/09/2014 | Common Stock | 208 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 15.35 | | | | | (3) 03/11/2015 | Common Stock | 15,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 22.68 | | | | | (4) 05/23/2016 | Common Stock | 15,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (5) | | | | | (6) (7) | Common Stock | 4,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FALCON MICHAEL F NETGEAR, INC. | | | Sr. Vice President, Operations | |

4500 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY
SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

Signatures

/s/ Michael F.

Falcon

12/11/2006

 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) This stock option was granted under the NETGEAR, Inc. 2000 Option Plan on November 4, 2002. Such option becomes exercisable at a rate of 1/4th of the option on November 4, 2003 and 1/48th of the shares on each one-month anniversary thereafter.
- (2) This stock option was granted under the NETGEAR, Inc. 2003 Option Plan on February 9, 2004. Such option becomes exercisable at a rate of 1/4th of the option on February 9, 2005 and 1/48th of the shares on each one-month anniversary thereafter.
100% of this option grant is exercisable on 3/11/05, the grant date. Shares underlying the option are restricted from transfer, with the
- (3) restriction lapsing with respect to 25% of the shares on each subsequent anniversary of the grant date, so that all underlying shares will be free from transfer restrictions on 3/11/09.
- (4) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 05/23/2007, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (5) Converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (6) Stock units will be paid in an equal number of shares of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting of the units. 25% of the units will cliff vest on each anniversary of 5/23/06, the vest start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 5/23/10.
- (7) Not applicable.
- (8) This transaction is made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Plan that was adopted in August 2005.

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