

Atkinson William George
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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 *
 Atkinson William George

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VERIFONE HOLDINGS, INC., 2099 GATEWAY PLACE, SUITE 600

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95110

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 VeriFone Holdings, Inc. [PAY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/29/2005

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)
 Exec VP, Global MKtg & Bus Dev

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 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)	Code	V	Amount	(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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$	Date	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 10	04/29/2005	A		125,000		<u>(1)</u>	04/29/2012	Common Stock	125,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Atkinson William George C/O VERIFONE HOLDINGS, INC. 2099 GATEWAY PLACE, SUITE 600 SAN JOSE, CA 95110			Exec VP, Global MKtg & Bus Dev	

Signatures

/s/ Dawn LaPlante,
attorney-in-fact

05/03/2005

**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) 25% of the Stock Options will vest on May 1, 2006, and the remaining Stock Options will vest pro rata quarterly over the three years thereafter (with such vesting to occur on August 1, November 1, February 1 and May 1 of each year).
- (2) N/A

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