

GIESBRECHT DIETER  
Form 4/A  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**GIESBRECHT DIETER**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**SYMANTECC CORP, 20330  
STEVENS CREEK BLVD**

(Street)

**CUPERTINO, CA 95014**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SYMANTEC CORP [SYMC]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**10/20/2004**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  
**10/21/2004**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**SVP, Enterprise Admin Bus Grp**

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial 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 Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to buy stock	\$ 55.36	10/20/2004	A	28,000					10/20/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	10/20/2014	Common Stock	28,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GIESBRECHT DIETER SYMANTECC CORP 20330 STEVENS CREEK BLVD CUPERTINO, CA 95014			SVP, Enterprise Admin Bus Grp	

## Signatures

Dieter Giesbrecht	08/25/2002
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Arthur F Courville, Power of Attorney	08/25/2002
**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) Standard 4 year vesting schedule: 25% first year anniversary, on a monthly percentage thereafter.

### Remarks:

Amendment to original filing due to clerical error [erroneous information regarding option grant].

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