

F5 NETWORKS INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
 DiLullo John D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC., 401
 ELLIOTT AVENUE 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)
 10/28/2016

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)

EVP, Worldwide Sales

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (D) or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2016 | | M | | 10,167 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | 10,618 ⁽²⁾ | 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) | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 | 10/28/2016 | | A | | 9,856 ⁽⁴⁾ | | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 9,856 |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 | 10/28/2016 | | A | | 7,301 | | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 7,301 |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 | 11/01/2016 | | M | | 10,167 | | <u>(8)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 10,167 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DiLullo John D C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC. 401 ELLIOTT AVENUE WEST SEATTLE, WA 98119 | | | EVP, Worldwide Sales | |

Signatures

/s/ Scot F. Rogers by Power of Attorney 11/01/2016

**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) Shares acquired upon vesting of the November 2, 2015 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) Includes 451 shares acquired on April 29, 2016 under the F5 Networks, Inc. stock purchase plan.
- (3) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of F5 Networks, Inc. Common Stock on the vest date.

Concurrent with the award of service-based Restricted Stock Units, the Company granted the reporting person additional Restricted Stock Units that vest based on performance targets ("Performance RSUs"). If the performance targets are achieved at 100%, the reporting person will receive 9,856 Performance RSUs over the vesting period; the actual number of Performance RSUs received may be more or less depending on whether and to the extent that performance is greater than or less than targets. Performance RSUs are not reported in Table II; the underlying shares of Performance RSUs will be reported in Table I if and when the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors determines that the performance targets have been achieved.

- (5) This November 1, 2016 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in sixteen equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2017.

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- (6) If the reporting person continues to serve as an officer of the Company on the vest date, the corresponding number of shares of Common Stock of F5 Networks, Inc. will be issued to the reporting person on the vest date.
- (7) This November 1, 2016 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests 100% on November 1, 2018.
- (8) This November 2, 2015 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests twenty five percent (25%) on November 1, 2016, and the remaining seventy five percent (75%) vests in twelve equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2017.

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