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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Naddaf Esfandiar Issuer Symbol SYNOPSYS INC [SNPS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD 02/29/2012 below) VP, Controller (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043** Person

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-l | Derivative | Secui | rities Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|-------|--|--|---|---------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or | | 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 | 02/29/2012 | | Code V $J_{(1)}^{(1)}$ V | Amount 346 | (D) | Price \$ 21.641 | 928 | 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | of ng s | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | or Title Nu of | umber | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Naddaf Esfandiar 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043 | | | VP, Controller | | | |

Signatures

By: Stephen Buckhout pursuant to POA For: Esfandiar 03/01/2012 Naddaf

> **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) Acquisition of stock under Synopsys, Inc Employee Stock Purchase Plan

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