

ATCHISON ROBERT L  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
ATCHISON ROBERT L

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1228 DOUGLAS AVENUE  
(Street)

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMPEX CORP /DE/ [AMPX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/07/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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 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) |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 07/07/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 2,095   | A  | \$ 1.15 150   | D |
| Class A Common Stock            | 07/07/2005                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 1,000   | D  | \$ 37.31 150  | D |
| Class A Common Stock            | 07/07/2005                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 253   | D  | \$ 37.15 150  | D |
| Class A Common                  | 07/07/2005                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 46  | D  | \$ 37.16 150  | D |

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|----------------------------|------------|------------------|-------|---|--------------|-----|---|
| Stock                      |            |                  |       |   |              |     |   |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/07/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 248   | D | \$ 37.1      | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/07/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 548   | D | \$ 37        | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | M                | 6,000 | A | \$ 1.15      | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 2,500 | D | \$ 35.3      | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 300   | D | \$ 35.36     | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 200   | D | \$<br>35.378 | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 500   | D | \$ 34.75     | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 100   | D | \$ 34.35     | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 1,400 | D | \$ 34.05     | 150 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/11/2005 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 1,000 | D | \$ 34.37     | 150 | 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 | 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 | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|
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| Security                             |         |            | Disposed of |       | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title                | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|---------|------------|-------------|-------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
|                                      |         |            | (D)         | (A)   |                  |                 |                      |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 1.15 | 07/07/2005 | M           | 2,095 | 04/07/2004       | 04/07/2007      | Class A Common Stock | 2,095                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 1.15 | 07/11/2005 | M           | 6,000 | 04/07/2004       | 04/07/2007      | Class A Common Stock | 6,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer        | Other |
| ATCHISON ROBERT L<br>1228 DOUGLAS AVENUE<br>REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063 |               |           | Vice President |       |

## Signatures

Robert L. Atchison  
07/11/2005  
\*\*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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 24, 2005.
- (2) After giving effect to this exercise, the reporting person owns 20,000 options with the same exercise price and expiration date.
- (3) After giving effect to this exercise, the reporting person owns 14,000 options with the same exercise price and expiration date.

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