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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 \*  
 Splain Michael E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC.  
 [JAVA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 4150 NETWORK CIRCLE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/16/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP, Microelectronics

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price			Shares held by Michael E. Splain & Donna M. Splain JT/WROS
Common Stock	11/16/2009		F	620 D	\$ 86,123 <sup>(1)</sup> 8.67	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 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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.56					(2) 03/19/2010	03/19/2010	Common Stock	50
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.56					(2) 03/19/2010	03/19/2010	Common Stock	3,750
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.8					(2) 07/25/2010	07/25/2010	Common Stock	7,500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.8					(2) 07/25/2010	07/25/2010	Common Stock	11,250
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.8					(2) 05/21/2011	05/21/2011	Common Stock	11,250
Employee Stock Option	\$ 16.832					(2) 11/13/2011	11/13/2011	Common Stock	11,250

(Right to Buy)						
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15	<u>(2)</u>	05/18/2012	Common Stock	10,000	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.76	<u>(2)</u>	09/17/2012	Common Stock	12,500	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.4	<u>(2)</u>	11/10/2012	Common Stock	5,000	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.48	<u>(2)</u>	01/27/2013	Common Stock	15,000	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.4	<u>(2)</u>	07/28/2013	Common Stock	20,750	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.32	<u>(2)</u>	11/02/2014	Common Stock	17,500	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.56	<u>(2)</u>	01/31/2015	Common Stock	13,125	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20	<u>(2)</u>	11/14/2015	Common Stock	15,525	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owners	

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Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

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4150 NETWORK CIRCLE  
SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

EVP, Microelectronics

## Signatures

/s/ Michael E.

Splain

11/16/2009

\_\_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) This includes 63,337 shares of unvested restricted stock units.

(2) This option vests and becomes exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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